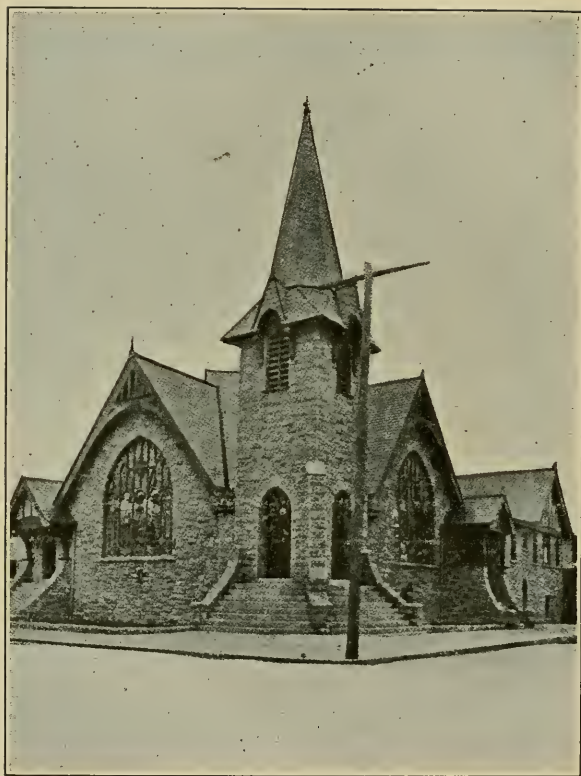




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Synod of New Jersey

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MINUTES
OF THE
Eighty-third Annual Session
OF THE
Synod of New Jersey.

The Synod of New Jersey met in the First Church, Cape May City, on Monday, October 16th, 1905, at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

After devotional services, the sermon opening Synod was delivered by the Moderator, Rev. James De Hart Bruen, from John 12:19. The Synod was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was called, and the following members were found to be present: Roll.

Presbytery of Corisco.

None.

Presbytery of Elizabeth.

MINISTERS—Joseph M. McNulty, D.D., James G. Mason, D.D., Samuel Parry, Henry Elliott Mott, D.D., Eben B. Cobb, D.D., John T. Kerr, William I. Steans, D. D., William Hoppaugh, Joseph C. McKelvey, John E. Stuchell, William W. Casselberry, Joseph B. Ferguson, Joseph G. Symmes, Charles B. Condit, William B. Hamilton, William Torrence Stuchell (2), Almer W. Karnell, Lawrence R. Howard, Herbert K. England—19.

ELDERS—James A. Burnett, Conn. Farms; Chauncey Harris, Elizabeth, Second; R. W. Woodward, Elizabeth, Third; Elias D.

Smith, Elizabeth, Greystone; D. C. Anderson, Lower Valley; Joseph W. Clark, Metuchen; L. N. Lovell, Plainfield, Crescent Avenue; Willet H. C. Coles, Rahway, First; Thomas B. Lindsay, Rahway, Second; Samuel Johnston, Westfield; William Edgar, Woodbridge; Clifford Willis, Springfield—12.

Presbytery of Havana.

MINISTER—Pedro Rioseco—1.

Presbytery of Jersey City.

MINISTERS—Henry C. Cronin, Hugh R. McClelland, Ph.D., James H. Owens, Arthur N. Thompson, D.D. (2), Charles Alexander Evans (2), David Chambers Stewart, James S. Young, C. Rudolph Kuebler, D.D., John C. Scarborough, Ph.D., Joshua B. Gallaway, D.D.—10.

ELDERS—None.

Presbytery of Monmouth

MINISTERS—Alfred H. Dashiell, D.D. (2), Edward B. Hodge, D.D., Alexander H. Young, D.D., George Swain, D.D., Henry R. Hall, Ormond W. Wright, Adolos Allen, Frank R. Symmes, William P. Finney, Joseph E. Curry, Charles H. Whitaker, Edgar C. Mason, John G. Lovell, Frank Lukens, Samuel D. Price, Courtlandt P. Butler (2), James H. Dunham (2), Frederick E. Stockwell, Hugh K. Fulton, Charles L. Candee, Frank G. Bossert (2), James M. L. Eckard (2)—22.

ELDERS—Horace R. Ford, Allentown; Jacob Wilson, Beverly; Peter R. Bergen, Cranbury First; D. C. Lewis, Cranbury, Second; David V. Perrine, Freehold; William T. Smock, Hightstown; William H. Brooks, Jamesburg; Henry S. Simons (2), Lakewood; Cyrus Knecht, M.D., Matawan; Alexander Marcy (2), Riverton, Calvary; John G. Breese, Shrewsbury—11.

Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

MINISTERS—William W. Halloway, D.D., Thomas A. Reeves, James F. Riggs, D.D., John F. Patterson, D.D., Stanley White, Robert J. Johnston, Minot C. Morgan, Wendell Prime Keeler—8.

ELDERS—A. Judson Coe, Dover Memorial; Henry C. Dilworth, East Orange, First; S. Eugene Babbitt, Mendham; Robert P. Williams, Orange, First; H. Murray Richmond, Orange Central; W. H. Nichols, South Orange, First—6.

Presbytery of Newark.

MINISTERS—Isaiah B. Hopwood, D.D. (2), David R. Frazer, D.D. (2), Julius H. Wolff, Henry J. Weber, Ph.D. (2), Davis W. Lusk, D.D., Lyman Whitney Allen, D.D. (2), Nelson B. Chester,

Robert Scott Inglis (2), Llewellyn S. Fulmer (2), Joseph F. Folsom, Joseph Hamilton, Joseph Hunter—12.

ELDERS—David McConaughy, Montclair, Trinity; Wesley C. Miller (2), Newark, First; Matthias J. Price, Newark, Third; William Kirkpatrick, Newark, Fifth Avenue; Hamilton T. Disbrow, Newark, Forest Hill—5.

Presbytery of New Brunswick.

MINISTERS—Samuel M. Studdiford, D.D., William W. Knox, D.D., Walter A. Brooks, D.D., James W. Rogan, D.D., Samuel McLanahan, Hugh B. MacCauley, D.D., Henry Collin Minton, D.D., LL.D. (2), George H. Ingram, James B. Clark, John D. Davis, D.D., LL.D., D. Ruby Warne, Albert J. Weisley, Francis Palmer (2), Joseph Howell, Cordie J. Culp, Samuel T. Graham, Linius L. Strock, Matthew F. Johnston, George H. Bucher—19.

ELDERS—Paul E. Egel, Bound Brook; Isaac Mather, Dutch Neck; James H. Cox, Ewing; Arnold F. Stout, Kingston; Augustus Van Mater, New Brunswick, First; Charles M. Titus, Pennington; George L. Moore (2), Titusville; A. V. D. Stryker, Trenton, Third; Franklin Dye, Trenton, Fourth; John A. Campbell (2), Trenton, Prospect Street; Symmes Bergen, Trenton, Bethany—11.

Presbytery of Newton.

MINISTERS—William Thomson, E. Clarke Cline (2), Henry S. Butler, D.D. (2), James De Hart Bruen, William S. C. Webster, D.D., Nathaniel P. Crouse, Edward Snyder, Clarence W. Rouse (2)—8.

ELDERS—G. M. Shipman, Belvidere, First; De Witt C. Carter, Blairstown; Robert Kennedy, Hackettstown; Charles Oberly, Stewartsville—4.

Presbytery of West Jersey.

MINISTERS—Alfred P. Botsford, D.D., Frederic R. Brace, D.D. (2), David H. Laverty, D.D. (2), John L. Landis, David H. King, D.D. (2), Minot S. Morgan, William V. Louderbough, Herbert R. Rundall, Newton W. Cadwell, D.D. (2), Arthur W. Spooner, D.D., Samuel H. Potter, William F. S. Nelson, William Allen, Jr., Robert Westly Peach, Luther A. Oates, Joseph L. Ewing, Raymond Hilliard Gage, Albert T. Von Tobel, Walter L. Steiner, Egedius Kellmayer (2), Thomas C. Sterling, Ph.D.—21.

ELDERS—J. A. Woodruff, Atlantic City, Olivet; Elmer E. Wilson (2), Blackwood; Lawrence Isaacs (2), Camden, Second; Swain W. Reeves, Cape May; William A. Williamson, Clayton; J. Hollis Hoffman (2), Cold Spring; Frank O. Ware, Deerfield—7.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

From the Synod of New York, Rev. John Fox, D.D., Rev. John H. Kerr, D.D.; from the Synod of Pennsylvania, Rev. Arthur W. Remington, Rev. C. A. Rodney Janvier, Rev. Alexander Henry, D.D., Rev. Charles E. Bronson, D.D., Rev. Joseph P. Calhoun, D.D.; from the Synod of Baltimore, Rev. Titus E. Davis; from the Synod of Ohio, Rev. R. B. Moore, D.D.; from the New Jersey M. E. Conference, Rev. James Burns; from the West Jersey Baptist Association, Rev. H. P. Crego; from the Pennsylvania Baptist Association, Rev. Thomas J. Cross—12.

Members present:

<i>Presbyteries.</i>	<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>	<i>Totals.</i>
Corisco, .....	....	....	....
Elizabeth,	19	12	31
Havana,	1	....	1
Jersey City,	10	....	10
Monmouth,	22	11	33
Morris and Orange,	8	6	14
Newark,	12	5	17
New Brunswick,	19	11	30
Newton,	8	4	12
West Jersey,	21	7	28
	120	56	176
Corresponding members,			12
Total,			188

Moderator.

Rev. George Swain, D.D., of the Presbytery of Monmouth, was elected Moderator.

Arrangements.

The Committee of Arrangements reported, and the report was accepted and its recommendations adopted as follows:

1. That the services of this evening conclude with the reading of suitable portions of the Necrological Report and the observance of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

2. That the sessions of the Synod begin at 9:00 A. M.; that recess be taken from 12:30 to 2:30 P. M., and from 5:00 to 8:00

P. M.; and that the devotional services occupy the last half hour of each morning session, to be conducted by the Committee on Evangelistic Work.

3. That the Rev. John Fox, D.D., of the American Bible Society, be heard, as early as may be convenient, on Tuesday morning, and that the remaining order of the morning be as usual, with the exception that the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions be presented on Tuesday afternoon.

4. That the usual order for Tuesday afternoon be modified, so that the first forty-five minutes shall be given to a conference on Foreign Missions, conducted by Mr. David McConaughy; the second order, Sabbath-school Work, with an address by the Rev. Alexander Henry, D.D., the newly appointed Secretary of the Board; the third, Systematic Beneficence, with an address by the Rev. Charles E. Bronson, D.D., of Philadelphia; and the fourth, Young People's Societies.

5. That the evening session of Tuesday be given to the consideration of Evangelistic Work, with the report of the Committee and an address by the Rev. Joseph P. Calhoun, D.D., of Pittsburg.

6. That the order for Wednesday morning be Home Missions, with an address by the Rev. Lyman Whitney Allen, D.D.; Historical Materials; Sabbath Observance, with an address by the Rev. Thomas J. Cross, of Philadelphia; Temperance; Applied Christianity; American Tract Society, with a brief address by the Rev. John H. Kerr, D.D.

7. That on Wednesday afternoon the Synod hear a brief address upon the condition of the Bloomfield Theological Seminary, by the Rev. Henry J. Weber, Ph.D., followed by an address for the Board of Education, by the Rev. Edward B. Hodge, D.D.

The Necrological Report was presented by Rev. Frank R. Symmes. It was accepted, and at its close the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered. The services were conducted by the retiring Moderator, who was assisted by Rev. Samuel M. Studdiford, D.D., and Rev. John F. Patterson, D.D., and the following Ruling Elders: Willett H. C. Coles, Horace R. Ford, W. H. Nichols, Hamilton D. Disbrow, Augustus Van Mater, Swain W. Reeves, Samuel Johnston, Charles Oberly, Symmes Bergen, William Kirkpatrick, Frank O. Ware, A. Judson Coe.

Necrology.

Lord's Supper

In connection with the service, an offering, amounting to \$57.85, was made for the Board of Ministerial Relief.

Relief.

After singing and prayer, Synod adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock A. M.

TUESDAY, October 17th, 9:00 A. M.

The Synod met, and, after prayer, resumed business.

Minutes.

The minutes of Monday's session were read and the record was approved.

Vice-Moderator.

The Moderator appointed as Vice-Moderator Rev. Frederick W. Stockwell, and announced the following

Committees.

Committees:

I—BILLS AND OVERTURES.

Ministers—James DeHart Bruen, Alexander H. Young, D.D., William P. Finney, Hugh B. MacCauley, D.D.

Elders—Horace R. Ford, Jacob Wilson, William T. Smock.

II—JUDICIAL BUSINESS.

Ministers—Samuel M. Studdiford, D.D., Alfred P. Botsford, D.D., Edward B. Hodge, D.D., John E. Stuchell.

Elders—Thomas B. Lindsay, Peter R. Bergen, Swain W. Reeves.

III—MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Ministers—Herbert R. Rundall, Henry R. Hall.

Elder—William H. Brooks.

IV—NARRATIVE FOR 1906.

Ministers—John F. Patterson, D.D., Frederick W. Stockwell.

Elder—Clarence C. Robinson.

V—FINANCE.

Ministers—Joseph Hunter, Adolos Allen.

Elders—Arnold F. Stout, Robert Kennedy.

VI—SYNODICAL HOME MISSION ACCOUNTS, 1906.

Minister—Joseph L. Ewing.

Elder—Nathaniel Tooker.

VII—REVISION OF PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

Minister—C. Rudolph Kuebler, D.D.

Elder—Franklin Dye.

VIII—RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Corisco—Rev. Joseph E. Curry, Rev. R. Hilliard Gage, Elder William A. Williamson.

Elizabeth—Rev. Frederick E. Stockwell, Rev. Henry C. Cronin, Elder A. Judson Coe.

Havana—Rev. R. Hilliard Gage, Rev. Stanley White, Elder Matthias J. Price.

Jersey City—Rev. Minot S. Morgan, Rev. Minot C. Morgan, Elder D. V. Perrine.

Monmouth—Rev. William W. Knox, D.D., Rev. William Thomson, Elder Frank O. Ware.

Morris and Orange—Rev. Nelson B. Chester, Rev. James W. Rogan, D.D., Elder Charles Oberly.

Newark—Rev. Cordie J. Culp, Rev. Joseph O. McKelvey, Elder Samuel Johnston.

New Brunswick—Rev. William V. Louderbough, Rev. Edward Snyder, Elder D. C. Lewis.

Newton—Rev. William Hoppaugh, Rev. James H. Owens, Elder W. H. Nichols.

West Jersey—Rev. Frank R. Symmes, Rev. George H. Ingram, Elder Henry C. Dilworth.

The Stated Clerk reported to Synod that the records of Synod for 1904 were approved by the General Assembly. Stated Clerk.

Certain papers in the hands of the Stated Clerk were referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures and the Committee on Judicial Business. Papers referred.

Synod now listened to an address on the work of the American Bible Society by Rev. John Fox, D.D., one of its secretaries.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. James F. Riggs, D.D., was adopted:

American
Bible Society.

The Synod of New Jersey, having heard with regret that the American Bible Society, for the first time in very many years, has exhausted its available funds and is in debt, earnestly recommends all its churches to enlarge their gifts to meet this emergency in its work, so vital to all missions, and would suggest the propriety of some special recognition of the ninetieth anniversary of the Society, as affording a fitting occasion to mark our sense of the duty of the Church to translate and circulate the Scriptures.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. James F. Riggs, D.D., on behalf of the Permanent Committee on Applied Christianity, was adopted:

Applied
Christianity.

In view of the fact that the term "Applied Christianity" is extremely comprehensive and seems to embrace every possible aspect of religious duty, and further, in view of the fact that a specific limitation of this term as used in the title of this committee has been called for and never given, therefore.

Resolved. That the Synod forthwith discontinue the Committee on Applied Christianity, and that the members of the said committee be and hereby are discharged.

Treasurer.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod was presented, was received and referred for audit to the Committee on Finance.

Treasurer
of Trustees.

The report of the Treasurer of the Trustees of Synod was presented, was received and referred for audit to the Committee on Finance.

Trustees.

The report of the Trustees of Synod was presented as follows:

The Trustees of Synod would report that they have invested the "Wurts Legacy" of \$525, the interest of which they have, for

a number of years, paid to the Elwood Church, in a mortgage, without interest, on the recently-completed manse of that church, this disposition of the fund, in the judgment of the Trustees, best carrying out the wishes of Mrs. Wurts, who established it. The Trustees ask that Synod approve this action.

The report was accepted and the action of the Trustees was approved.

In connection with the report the resignation of Rev. Alfred H. Dashiell, D.D., as Trustee of Synod was presented and accepted, and the Stated Clerk was instructed to cast the ballot for Rev. Courtlandt P. Butler as a Trustee of Synod in the place of Rev. Alfred H. Dashiell, D.D., resigned. The ballot having been cast, Rev. Courtlandt P. Butler was declared elected.

The Trustees of Synod were instructed to divide their membership into classes, in order to conform to the new law regarding trustees of religious bodies enacted by the last Legislature of the State.

In the absence of the chairman, the report of the Permanent Committee on Home Missions was presented by Rev. John E. Stuchell, was received and its recommendations adopted as follows:

Home
Missions.

1. That Synod record its high appreciation of the work of the Woman's Societies and acknowledge its debt to these women, "who labor much in the gospel"; for their untiring, consecrated and ever-increasing services to the great work of Home Missions.

2. That Synod express its confidence in the Board of Home Missions and rejoice with it in the year ended free of debt, in the wisdom and efficiency of its executive officers, in the faithful, earnest work of its missionaries, in its purpose for new work, and pledge its hearty co-operation and support to this work.

3. That Synod recommend the use of the Board's monthly literature to the pastors and churches, and that special and definite arrangements be made to interest the young people's societies and Sabbath-schools in the work of the Board.

The report of the Committee on the Narrative was presented by Rev. Clarence W. Rouse, and the report was approved.

Narrative.

Law of
Trustees.

The Special Committee on the Law of Trustees made its report, and the report was received. Pending the discussion of it, further action was postponed in order that Synod might enter upon the order of the day.

Synodical
Home
Missions.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions was presented by the Rev. Samuel McLanahan, and was accepted.

Treasurer.

In the absence of Mr. William P. Stevenson, Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions, his report was read by Rev. John T. Kerr, was received and ordered printed.

The following recommendations, offered by the Committee, were adopted:

1. That the Synod gratefully recognizes the abundant and efficient services rendered, entirely without cost, to the cause of Synodical Home Missions by the Treasurer, Mr. William Paxton Stevenson.

2. That the Synod instructs the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions to become incorporated, if the way be clear; and hereby authorizes it to take all necessary legal steps to this end.

3. That the Synod approves the proposal of a conference of representatives of the mission work of the self-supporting Synods, and authorizes its committee to participate in such conferences stately, if inaugurated.

4. That the Presbyteries are hereby asked to contribute upon the basis of church membership reported in the Minutes of the General Assembly for the year 1905, not less than the following amounts:

From Elizabeth, at 30 cents per member,.....	\$3,023 40
From Jersey City, at 26 cents per member,.....	2,083 12
From Monmouth, at 26 cents per member,.....	1,753 70
From Morris and Orange, at 30 cents per member,.....	3,221 40
From Newark, at 27 cents per member,.....	3,604 50
From New Brunswick, at 30 cents per member,.....	2,816 70
From Newton, at 22 cents per member,.....	1,277 54
From West Jersey, at 26 cents per member,.....	2,195 44

Total, \$19,975 80

5. That there are allotted from the general fund, for use in the several Presbyteries and for administration, sums not to exceed the following :

To Elizabeth,	\$1,950 00
To Jersey City,	2,750 00
To Monmouth,	3,500 00
To Morris and Orange,	1,800 00
To Newark,	1,950 00
To New Brunswick,	2,000 00
To Newton,	1,100 00
To West Jersey,	4,200 00
For administration,	500 00
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Total,	\$19,750 00

6. That from the balance of last year the sum of \$800 is hereby set apart as the Special Fund under control of Synod's Committee, and that the attention of organizations and individuals is hereby particularly called to this Special Fund as a channel for advancing the cause of Christ as represented by Presbyterian missions in New Jersey.

The committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions reported that they had examined his accounts for the year beginning October 1st, 1904, and ending September 30th, 1905, compared the disbursements with the vouchers and found the same correct. The report was received and approved.

Synodical
Home Mission
Accounts.

The Finance Committee presented its report, which was accepted and its recommendations adopted as follows :

Finance.

The Committee on Finance reports that it has examined the books and vouchers of the Treasurer of Synod and the Treasurer of the Trustees of Synod, and has found the same correct.

The Committee also recommends that the apportionments to the Presbyteries for Synodical expenses be as follows :

Elizabeth, Morris and Orange, Newark, and New Brunswick, \$80 each; Jersey City and West Jersey, \$65 each; Monmouth and Newton, \$60 each.

A committee, consisting of Rev. Stanley White, Rev. Henry R. Hall and Elder P. Kennedy Reeves, was appointed to act in consultation with the Treasurer of Synod in devising a plan for increasing the revenue of Synod, the committee to report such a plan to the next meeting of Synod.

Temperance.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance was presented by the Rev. William V. Louderbough, was received and its recommendations adopted as follows:—

1. That this Synod heartily endorses the plan of the General Assembly's Permanent Committee on Temperance to put more paid workers in the field, and urges the sessions of all its churches to give their respective congregations an opportunity to contribute in some way each year to the support of its work.

2. That this Synod favors the plan of uniting all the churches and temperance organizations of our State for a movement to secure better temperance legislation, including a wise general local option law, and instructs its Moderator to appoint at this meeting a committee of five, three ministers and two ruling elders, to represent it in such a united effort.

3. That this Synod, through its Stated Clerk, appeals to the President of the United States and to both houses of our national Congress to grant the wish of the civilized tribes of Indians in the Indian Territory, for their protection, by prohibitory enactment, from the licensed liquor traffic in any statehood bill which may be passed to include their Territory.

4. That, in justice to the parents of the students attending our higher institutions of learning and for the protection of these students also, the governing bodies of such institutions should, in the judgment of this Synod, enforce strict discipline within their jurisdiction against drunkenness and the use of intoxicating beverages, and that the alumni of such institutions should, for the sake of the undergraduates if for no other reason, refrain from the use of alcoholic beverages at class reunions and all college functions.

5. That this Synod maintains its stand against the sale of alcoholic beverages in our military camps in face of the clamor of many army officers for the repeal of the present prohibitory law, believing that this law is working for the good of our army and nation, and that it is demanded for the highest efficiency of both officers and privates; also that we petition the Congress of the United States to extend this prohibition to the vessels and yards of our navy.

6. That this Synod urges all the ministers of our churches to preach a special temperance sermon on the General Assembly's Temperance Day, or at some more suitable time each year, and to further the practice of total abstinence from alcoholic drinks and promote the abolition of the liquor traffic by all wise means and methods.

The order of the day having arrived, the Synod engaged in devotional services, led by Rev. Arthur Newton Thompson, D.D. During this service Synod was addressed by the Rev. C. A. Rodney Janvier, of Philadelphia.

Evangelistic
Address.

Synod then took recess until 2:30 P. M.

TUESDAY, 2:30 P. M.

Synod met and resumed business.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions was presented by the Rev. John F. Patterson, D.D. The report was accepted and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

Foreign
Missions.

1. That we heartily commend to our churches the *Assembly Herald*, *Woman's Work for Woman*, *All the World*, and *Over Sea and Land*, and that we make a special effort this year to increase their circulation among our people.

2. That we welcome the occasional leaflet known as the *Bulletin*, request the Board to continue its publication, and urge pastors particularly to procure it.

3. That we magnify the monthly concert of prayer for missions, and use every means within our reach to make it interesting and attractive.

4. That we commend the forward movement in our Sabbath-schools by which regular instruction in missions is given to the children and young people, and that we hail with gratitude the coming of Rev. Walter C. Erdman to be an Assistant Secretary in the Home Department of the Board, whose duty it shall be to supervise the plans for stimulating interest in this cause in the Sabbath schools.

5. That we cordially commend Mr. David McConaughy to our churches and urge them to co-operate with him in his efforts to increase their interest in and their gifts to Foreign Missions, and especially as he seeks to have churches take part in the parish plan of support.

6. That inasmuch as the Assembly has suggested \$1,500,000 as the minimum amount to be raised by the church this year, we aim in this Synod at an advance of twenty per cent. in our contributions, and that pastors be requested to bring this matter to the attention of people of large means in their congregations.

In connection with the report a conference on the Forward Movement was conducted by Mr. David McConaughy, Forward Movement Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Bills and
Overtures.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures made a partial report, recommending that the report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions be referred to the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions; also that the report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Home Missions be referred to the Permanent Committee on Home Missions; also that in reference to the request of the First Church of Vailsburg, to be transferred from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange to the Presbytery of Newark, the following action be taken:

Vailsburg
Church
Transferred.

WHEREAS, A request has been received by Synod from the Session and congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Vailsburg, N. J., to be transferred from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange to the Presbytery of Newark; and

WHEREAS, The Presbytery of Morris and Orange, under date of September 19th, 1905, acquiesced in this request, and the Presbytery of Newark, under date of October 4th, 1905, expressed its willingness to receive the said church, therefore,

Resolved, That this request be granted, and the said church be hereby transferred from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange to the Presbytery of Newark, the same to take effect immediately; and

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to notify the parties concerned of this action.

The report was received and the recommendations of the Committee were adopted.

Address.

Synod now listened to an address by Rev. Alexander Henry, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Publication and

Sabbath-school Work, on the work of that Board, and by Rev. Charles E. Bronson, D.D., of Philadelphia, on the subject of Systematic Beneficence.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath-School Work was presented by the Rev. Henry C. Cronin, was received and its recommendations adopted as follows :

Sabbath-School Work.

1. That every Sunday-school be urged to establish a Teacher Training Class and a Home Department.

2. That every Sunday-school be urged to observe Children's Day, the second Sabbath of June, and Rallying Day, the last Sabbath of September, and that liberal offerings be made on these days to the missionary and colportage work of the Board.

3. That the schools be urged to increased loyalty to the Boards of the Church, evidenced by greatly increased gifts.

The report of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence was presented by the Rev. William W. Casselberry. It was received and its recommendations adopted as follows :

Systematic Beneficence.

1. That the name of this committee be changed to the Permanent Committee on Proportionate and Systematic Beneficence.

2. That we recommend to all of our communion the practice of setting apart one-tenth of the income or increase as belonging unto the Lord, and the presentation of thank offerings in addition thereto.

3. That Synod appropriates \$25 for the work of this committee this Synodical year.

The Committee on Judicial Business reported in reference to the complaint, which had been referred to it, of Mr. William S. Wensley against a certain action of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, that the papers are not in order for action by the Synod, inasmuch as it appears from the records of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange that notice of complaint with reasons therefor was not lodged with the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery, or with the Moderator, within ten days after the

Judicial Business.

Wensley Complaint.

action was taken, and further, that the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery could not, and therefore did not, lodge the records and all the papers pertaining to the case with the Stated Clerk of Synod before the close of the second day of its regular meeting next ensuing the date of the reception of said notice, as the Book of Discipline requires, and therefore recommends that the complaint be dismissed.

The report was accepted and its recommendation was adopted.

The following resolution, offered by the Rev. Stanley White, was adopted:

That it is the sense of this Synod that the distributing of papers within the church where Synod meets be under the care and control of the Committee of Arrangements and the Stated Clerk, and that no paper shall be distributed without their permission.

Historical
Materials.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Historical Materials was presented verbally by the Rev. Joseph F. Folsom. It was accepted and its recommendation adopted as follows:

That a member of the Presbytery of Havana be appointed to serve on the Permanent Committee on Historical Materials of Synod.

In accordance with this recommendation the Moderator appointed Rev. Pedro Rioseco, Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Havana, a member of this committee.

Custodians.

The report of the Custodians of Historical Materials was presented by the Stated Clerk. The report was accepted and its recommendation was adopted as follows:

The Custodians have also to report that during the year the Rev. William D. Sheddan, Assistant Librarian of Princeton Seminary, has completed an exhaustive card catalogue of the valu-

able material in the possession of the Synod, which may be consulted at the library.

The Custodians recommend that the thanks of the Synod be extended to Mr. Sheddan for the careful and efficient labor bestowed upon this work.

Rev. Samuel M. Studdiford, D.D., was appointed to prepare a minute in reference to the absence from the present meeting of Synod of Rev. Allen H. Brown, D.D., and his inability to present, as usual, the report of the Committee on Historical Materials. He presented the following, which was accepted and adopted:

Dr. Brown's
Absence.

The Synod notes with sincere regret the absence from this meeting, on account of illness, of the Rev. Allen H. Brown, D.D., who has for so many years wrought faithfully and most usefully in the missionary work of the Synod, and has done so much for the commemoration of its history. The Synod expresses its deep sympathy with him in his present indisposition and hopes for the pleasure of his presence amongst us again at our next meeting.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies was presented by Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, D.D., was accepted and its recommendations adopted as follows:

Young
People's
Societies.

1. That we give a cordial welcome to the Young People's Societies of our new Presbytery of Havana, and bid them God-speed in the great work of taking Cuba for Christ.

2. That we urge all our pastors and Sessions to study most carefully their young people's work, with a view to a general improvement in the methods and results.

3. That it is the opinion of this Synod that the time has come for enlisting all our Young People's Societies in the work of Synodical Home Missions, and *resolved*, that all our Presbyterial Committees on Y. P. S. be requested, in connection with pastors and Sessions, to push this matter, with a view of obtaining for the coming year the sum of \$1,000 in contributions.

4. That the attention of our pastors be called to the Christian Study Course, with the hope that they may be able to take up with their young people the work of, at least, the Biblical and Missionary Departments.

5. That Synod heartily approves of observing, by special exercises in all our churches and societies, the Reformation anniversary in October, and the Calvin anniversary in November, and the Knox anniversary in February, and also, and more especially in 1906, the 200th anniversary of the first ordination of a Presbyterian pastor on American soil—the Rev. John Boyd, at Old Scots Church—and hereby appropriates the sum of \$15.00 for the Committee on Young People's Societies for the preparation of suitable programs for the John Boyd anniversary and other accessories of the occasion, and that the offerings of the same be turned over to Synodical Home Missions.

6. That once more the attention of our pastors and Sessions be called to the work among young men and the need of suitable societies for them as a successful means of enlisting them for Christ and the Church.

Records
Approved.

The records of the following Presbyteries were approved: Corisco, Elizabeth, Havana, Jersey City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Newark, New Brunswick, Newton and West Jersey.

Corisco.

The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Corisco reported them to be correctly kept, and also filled with interesting details of the work done in our foreign missionary Presbytery. The Stated Clerk was authorized to send to the Presbytery a letter of salutation and Christian sympathy.

Havana.

The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of Havana reported them correctly kept, in both the Spanish and English languages, and the Stated Clerk was directed to express to that Presbytery the pleasure felt by the Synod in welcoming the Presbytery into its number and fellowship, and its profound interest in the arduous and important work done by the members of the Presbytery in their needy field.

It was made the second order of the day for to-morrow morning to resume the consideration of the report of the Special Committee on the Law of Trustees.

Synod then took recess until 8:00 o'clock P. M.

TUESDAY, 8:00 P. M.

Synod reassembled and resumed business.

The report of the Committee on Evangelistic Work was presented by the Rev. Charles A. Evans. It was accepted and is as follows :

Evangelistic
Work.

It is a source of gratification to your Committee to be able to report that plans have been perfected for an extensive evangelistic campaign throughout the State during the coming autumn and winter.

At the meeting of the Committee held in the Home Mission room of the Presbyterian Building, New York City, on April 25th, the following resolution was passed :

Resolved, That the Evangelistic Committee of the Synod of New Jersey most heartily urge the Evangelistic Committee of the General Assembly to conduct a campaign within our bounds during November and December of the present year."

The chairman of your Committee was also a member of the General Assembly's committee, and, after consultation with pastors of prominent churches in the State, he presented this request at the meeting of the Assembly's committee, held in Philadelphia in May. The request met with favorable consideration, but action was deferred until after the new committee should be appointed by the General Assembly.

At the first meeting of the newly-appointed committee, held at Winona Lake on May 22d, this request was again presented by the chairman of your Committee and earnestly supported by almost the entire New Jersey delegation who were commissioners at the Assembly. The request was granted and your chairman was directed to call a meeting of the pastors and elders of the New Jersey churches to consider plans and methods for the conduct of an evangelistic campaign in the State.

This meeting was held in the Presbyterian building, New York City on Monday, June 12th, and was addressed by Dr. Chapman.

The result has been the organization of all evangelical denominations in twenty-four cities and towns in the State for an evangelistic campaign to be conducted by Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D.D., and the evangelists associated with him. The evangelists chosen for this work are all carefully-selected men, whose labors in the past have received the seal of Divine approval.

The work of organization in these cities and towns has been accomplished by correspondence and by means of conferences held with the pastors and laymen of the various churches, by the chairman of your Committee and by Rev. A. N. Thomp-

son, D.D., who was appointed by the committee of the General Assembly to assist the chairman in this work. Dr. Thompson has conducted conferences with the members of the Presbyteries of Monmouth and New Brunswick and with the Evangelistic Committee of the Presbytery of Newton.

The plan for the organization of the campaign in the various cities and towns is as follows:

1. A General Committee is formed, consisting of the pastors and one or two laymen from each of the churches uniting in the movement.

2. After selecting a chairman, a Nominating Committee of one from each of the churches represented is appointed, whose duty it is to appoint an Executive Committee and also the following sub-committees:

a. The Committee on Finance—at least, ten members.

b. The Committee on Advertising—ten members.

c. The Committee on Canvassing—ten members.

d. The Committee on Music—five members.

e. The Committee on Ushers—twelve members.

f. The Devotional Committee.

g. The Committee on Free Will Offering.

Arrangements are also made in each district of the larger cities and in each town for cottage prayer-meetings and for union prayer-meetings in one of the larger churches and for a general exchange of pulpits by the pastors before the coming of the evangelists.

Following are the cities and towns where these evangelistic services are to be conducted:

Paterson. Three weeks, beginning November 19th. Six districts.

Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, for ten days, accompanied by evangelistic singers, Mr. Fred. Butler, Mr. Charles F. Allen, to be succeeded by Rev. R. A. Walton, D.D.

Rev. A. W. Spooner, D.D.

Rev. John H. Elliott, D.D.; singer, Mr. Charles E. Rykert.

Rev. Daniel S. Toy; singer, Mr. Frank Dickson.

Rev. Ray Palmer; singer, to be supplied.

Rev. W. A. Bodell; singer, to be supplied.

Jersey City. Three weeks, beginning November 19th. Eight districts.

First District—Rev. R. A. Walton, D.D., accompanied by singer Mr. O. F. Pugh, to be succeeded on November 30th by Rev. J. W. Chapman, D.D., accompanied by singer Mr. Fred. Butler. Services to be held in the First Presbyterian Church.

Second District—Rev. J. R. Pratt; singer to be supplied. Services to be held in Park Reformed Church.

Third District—Rev. H. W. Stough, accompanied by singer Mr. W. H. Collison. Services to be held in Westminster Church.

Fourth District—Rev. John A. Earle, D.D., accompanied by singer W. S. Weeden. Services to be held in Hedding M. E. Church.

Fifth District—Rev. John Robertson, D.D., accompanied by singer John W. Long. Services to be held in Bayonne Christ Church.

Sixth District—Rev. Lester G. Leggett, accompanied by singer John W. Reynolds. Services to be held in First M. E. Church, Hoboken.

Seventh District—Rev. Thomas Houston. Services to be held in Lafayette M. E. Church.

Eighth District—Rev. Tilman Hobson; singer to be supplied. Services to be held in Greenville Reformed Church.

Four other districts to be supplied by local evangelists. The German Churches in the Hudson City section will hold union services, to be conducted by Rev. Henry W. Seibert, D.D., of Bloomfield Theological Seminary.

In addition to the other services, Rev. Charles Stelzle will conduct special evangelistic meetings for workmen in the factory districts.

Newark. Three weeks, beginning November 19th. Six districts.

First District—Rev. W. C. Evans, D. D., to be succeeded on December 10th by Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D.D., and singers, Mr. Fred. Butler and Mr. Charles F. Allen. Services to be held in the First Presbyterian Church.

Second, or North Central District—Rev. F. E. Taylor, accompanied by singer, Mr. August Schneider.

Third, or Clinton Avenue District—Rev. Clarence B. Strouse, accompanied by singer, Mr. H. S. Maxwell.

Fourth, or Railroad District—Rev. Charles Cullen Smith; singer, Mr. R. B. Holden.

Fifth, or Belleville Avenue District—Rev. E. F. Hallenbeck, D.D.; singer, Mr. Wells.

Sixth, or Roselle District—Rev. H. D. Sheldon; singer, Mr. Ross.

Bloomfield, Dover, November 19th-December 1st. Rev. Arthur J. Smith, D.D.; singers, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Montgomery.

Vineland, November 19th-December 1st; *Englewood,* December 3d-17th. Rev. Frank Granstaff, D.D.; singers, Mrs. Granstaff and A. B. Davidson.

Orange, November 19th. Union of forty churches, beginning services to be conducted by Rev. J. W. Cochran, D.D.; Rev. Hugh Black; Rev. Charles Cuthbert Hall, D.D.; Rev. Wayland Hoyt, D.D.; Rev. William Patterson, D.D.; Rev. William Morgan, D.D.; Rev. Kerr B. Tupper, D.D.

New Brunswick, November 19th-December 1st; *Elizabeth*, December 1st-17th. Rev. W. E. Biederwolf and Rev. C. G. Jordan, accompanied by singers, Prof. E. O. Excell and Mr. R. E. Mitchell.

Manasquan, October 22d-November 5th; *Rahway*, November 5th-19th; *Englishtown*, November 19th-December 5th. Rev. A. N. Thompson, D.D.

Dunellen, November 5th-17th; *Bound Brook*, November 19th-December 1st. Rev. Chester Birch.

Summit, November 19th-December 1st; *Perth Amboy*, December 3d-17th. Rev. Harmon H. McQuilkin.

Montclair, November 19th-December 1st; *Vineland*, December 3d-17th. Rev. Henry Ostrom, D.D., accompanied by singer, Mr. John P. Hillis.

Newton, November 19th-December 3d. Mr. Charles N. Hunt; singer, Mr. C. E. Coultres.

Trenton. Union services to be conducted in the First Presbyterian Church by Rev. Cleland B. McAfee, D.D.; Rev. Wilton Merle Smith, D.D., and Rev. Robert MacKenzie, D.D.

There is still an opportunity for other cities and towns to have a part in this campaign and evangelists and singers are available for the first two weeks in November and from December 3d to January 25th.

As this plan for special services by the evangelists of the General Assembly's committee covered only a portion of the State, and as it was the desire of the Synod's committee that an opportunity for special evangelistic services should be afforded to every church in the State, the following circular letter was mailed to every Presbyterian pastor in the State whose church was not already included in the plan of campaign, and to the Clerk of Session of every vacant church:

"DEAR BROTHER—The Evangelistic Committee of our Synod and the General Assembly's Committee on Evangelistic Work greatly desire that the approaching Evangelistic Campaign in New Jersey should reach with its blessings every church of the State—in city, village or country.

"To this end three lines of action are open to you:

"1. The securing of a Union movement of *some* if not all of the denominations in your community.

"2. If this is not feasible, then a union of the Presbyterian churches.

"3. *Special Evangelistic Services conducted in your own church* with the assistance of neighboring pastors, or of evangelists secured through the committee.

"It is not possible that all meetings be held simultaneously, because a sufficient number of acceptable evangelists cannot be obtained. There are many of our smaller churches which can not bear the expense of an evangelist, yet these very churches are most important and needy fields for evangelistic effort. While

your committee does not wish to press its services upon any pastor or Session, it is our sincere desire to help those churches which are so located that a large union movement is not feasible, but which can conduct services alone, employing an evangelist under the usual conditions, *i. e.*, incidental expenses provided for and a free will offering at the close of the meetings. Also, and more particularly, it is our desire to help those churches which have been reluctantly counting themselves out of this movement because they cannot afford the necessary expense.

1.

"In order to help most effectually such churches as may desire our aid, we have prepared a list of reputable evangelists, earnest and consecrated men, whose labors have been acknowledged of God, who are not, at present, in the employ of the Assembly's Committee, and have requested them to name such time during the autumn or winter as they can give, if needed, to the work in New Jersey.

"Concerning these brethren, we could assume no responsibility further than a recommendation on the basis of what we know, either personally or through others, of their work in other places. We will make such recommendations with the greatest possible care.

2.

"To aid those churches which cannot afford an evangelist, we have sent personal letters to a large number of *Evangelistic Pastors* in our Synod, asking them, with the consent of their Sessions, to assist other churches in evangelistic meetings. We have requested these brethren to give their time without personal remuneration to any such church desiring their service for a period extending from a Monday evening to a week from the next following Friday evening. The church so served would, of course, be expected to pay the necessary expense of travel and to entertain the visiting brother; also to provide for the supply of his pulpit for one Sabbath (unless this may be done gratuitously).

3.

"If, in any church, evangelistic services are desired, and all the money for this minimum expense of a brother pastor cannot be raised, we would suggest that the pastor of such church make a personal canvass of his members and secure as large an amount as possible. Then inform us how much more will be needed.

"We will do the best we can to aid in such cases."

FINALLY.

"If you desire a part in this movement, will you send in response, to the chairman of the committee, not later than October 10th, a statement as to a first or second choice of dates on which you desire the help of an Evangelist or Evangelistic Pastor? Then we will endeavor, either directly or through your Presbyterian Committee, to put you in communication with some acceptable brother.

"We take the liberty to suggest that, since all success must come from God, the preaching and other services from now on be devoted to bringing ourselves and the members of our churches into such spiritual condition that we may be used of Him in the salvation of many souls.

"Faithfully yours,

"CHARLES A. EVANS.

"Chairman Synod's Committee.

"JERSEY CITY, N. J., September 28th, 1905."

Personal letters were written to Evangelistic Pastors requesting that they volunteer their services for this work. Favorable replies have been received from thirty-six of these pastors.

The Committee is ready to assign these pastors for service with such churches as may apply for their services, and to arrange dates during the autumn and winter.

Special meetings for prayer and devotion have been held by the Presbyteries of Jersey City, Newark, New Brunswick, Newton and Morris and Orange and arrangements for such meetings have been made by other Presbyteries.

In two of the Presbyteries organization has been perfected for special evangelistic services in all the churches. In the Presbytery of Newton the pastors have arranged to assist one another in these meetings and the campaign has already opened in Sussex, where meetings of great interest and spiritual power are now being conducted, stirring the community and blessing the Church in the conversion of many.

In the Presbytery of Elizabeth every church, with one exception, has arranged for evangelistic services.

Throughout the State a spirit of prayerfulness and expectancy prevails among the churches of all denominations.

FINALLY.

It has not been the purpose of your Committee to "start a revival." It has been proven in the experience of every pastor that the true revival must come from above—in the gracious work of the Holy Spirit. But it has been the purpose of your Com-

mittee, in so far as possible and through the means available, to evangelize the State—to stir latent energies and renew spiritual interest and activity in all our churches and to reach, by the aid of the Spirit of God, those who compose a large portion of our population in city and country districts who have either grown indifferent to their religious obligations, or have not heretofore been brought under the influence of the Church and the Gospel of The Redeemer.

As to the results—Such a revival as has not been experienced in our State for many years is what we are all praying for. Under the Divine blessing, such a revival we have every reason to look for with confident expectation and to the Great Head of the Church shall be all the glory.

After devotional services, Synod listened to an address by Rev. Joseph P. Calhoun, D.D., of General Assembly's Committee on Evangelistic Work.

Address.

After singing, prayer and the benediction, Synod adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 9:00 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, October 18th, 9:00 A. M.

Synod met, and, after prayer, resumed business.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Minutes.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures made a report on certain matters brought to the attention of the Synod in a communication from the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly. The report was accepted and the following action taken, as recommended by the committee:

Bills and Overtures.

I. On Vacancy and Supply.

WHEREAS, There has come to Synod a communication from the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, pertaining to the matter of Vacancy and Supply as related to vacant churches and unemployed ministers, and asking for Synod's co-operation,

Vacancy and Supply.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of Synod be hereby appointed a Special Committee of Synod on Vacancy and Supply.

Resolved, That each Presbytery of Synod be requested to appoint a Committee on Vacancy and Supply, if it has not already done so, to be a means of co-operation in this matter.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of Synod, in connection with the Presbyterian Committees on Vacancy and Supply and the Board of Home Missions, which was appointed by the General Assembly as its agent, be charged with the duty of keeping a list of vacant churches and unemployed ministers in the Synod, and of being the means of correspondence and help in behalf of this cause, and that he make a report concerning these, and any other related matters, to the next meeting of Synod.

2. On the Plan of Sustentation.

Sustentation.

The committee would recommend that it be referred to a committee consisting of the chairmen of the Committees on Ministerial Relief in each Presbytery, the Chairman of the Committee of the Presbytery of Elizabeth to be the Chairman of the committee, and that the committee make report to the next meeting of Synod.

Minutes of
Assembly.

The Committee on Minutes of the General Assembly reported, calling the attention of Synod to the action of the General Assembly on the subjects of College Visitation, Marriage and Divorce, the Observance of the Anniversary of the Reformation, Vacancy and Supply, Sustentation and Systematic Beneficence. The report was received. In accordance with the direction of the General Assembly the Moderator was directed to appoint a Committee on College Visitation.

It was also resolved to request our ministers and churches to observe Sunday, November 5th, or the most convenient Sunday nearest to this date, as the anniversary of the Protestant Reformation.

It was also voted to request the Presbyteries of Synod to hold meetings in the interest of Systematic Beneficence.

Committees.

The Committee on the Revision of the List of Permanent Committees presented its report, which was accepted and its recommendations adopted as follows (see list of committees in Appendix) :

Rev. Lyman Whitney Allen, D.D., then addressed the Synod in behalf of the work of the Board of Home Missions, and Rev. Henry Elliott Mott, D.D., in behalf of the Plan of Sustentation reported to the General Assembly of 1905. Addresses.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. Dr. Mott, was adopted:

That the Synod of New Jersey endorses the principle of the plan of sustentation as set forth in the report of the Committee on Sustentation to the General Assembly of 1905. Sustentation.

The consideration of the report of the Special Committee on the Law of Trustees was now resumed, and the recommendations of the report were adopted as follows: Law of Trustees.

The history of the present movement concerning a revision of the civil law relating to trustees in Presbyterian churches is briefly set forth in the Minutes of Synod of 1904, pp. 23, 24. It is sufficient here to repeat only this, that a proposed draft for a new law was published in the Minutes of 1902, again reported with certain amendments, and again published in the Minutes of 1903, and was again reported and adopted by the Synod of 1904.

The Special Committee was enlarged at the last meeting of Synod by the Moderator's appointment of Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, D.D., to take the place of the Rev. Franklin E. Miller, D.D., deceased, and by the addition, as recommended by the committee, of the following persons, to wit: Hon. Hugh H. Hamill, of Trenton; Mr. Thomas W. Synnott, of Wenonah, and Hon. Frederick Parker, of Freehold. The committee was "authorized to make any alterations or amendments in the text of the proposed law as might seem best to them and to present and urge the same before the next Legislature." (See Minutes of Synod, 1904, p. 24.)

Several meetings of the enlarged committee were held, and every part of the proposed law was carefully considered several times. The final text was submitted to each member and was unanimously adopted. The matter of the text, as compared with what was printed before, is different in a few particulars, and was changed by virtue of the authority conferred upon the committee by Synod and in the interest of simplicity and a more logical order.

The law was duly introduced by Senator Barton B. Hutchinson, of Mercer County, was enacted by the Legislature of 1904-05, and

signed by Governor Stokes, and will take effect on the 1st of January, 1906. Through the error of a clerk the word "or," in Section 15, line 2, is omitted, and will have to be restored by the next Legislature.

The New Law for Trustees, having been enacted, should now be called to the attention of all our churches, and the fullest information should be given to prevent the possibility of illegality in the constituency of boards of trustees or of irregularity of acts.

We propose the following resolutions:

1. That the committee, having finished its labors, be now discharged.

2. That the draft of the new law, herewith submitted, containing the standard text as adopted by your committee, be printed in the Appendix of Synod's Minutes for reference.

3. That the Stated Clerk be directed to confer with the proper persons in the next Legislature, with a view to the correction of the mistake of the omitted word, or any other departure from the standard text that may appear.

4. That the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to print an extra number of copies of the new law for Trustees, and send one copy to every pastor and to the Moderator of every vacant church, and to every Session and to every Board of Trustees, together with a brief circular letter calling attention to the most important requirements of the act.

5. That the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to call the attention of each of our home Presbyteries to the new law, so that all our churches may receive the benefit, if necessary, of Presbytery's oversight and aid in this matter.

Synod unanimously extended a vote of thanks to the committee for its very efficient services.

It was made the first new order after 11:00 o'clock to hear the report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance.

Addresses.

Synod now listened to addresses by Rev. Edward B. Hodge, D.D., on behalf of the Board of Education, and by Rev. Henry J. Weber, Ph.D., and Rev. David R. Frazer, D.D., in the interests of Bloomfield Theological Seminary.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. W. W. Halloway, D.D., was adopted:

The Synod of New Jersey, having heard with pleasure of the success of "The German Theological School of Newark, N. J.,"

in raising \$50,000 for general endowment purposes and \$11,000 towards a building fund, and having also heard the appeal for \$14,000 more to complete a building fund of \$25,000, hereby heartily commends this cause to our Presbyteries, churches and to individuals.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance was presented by the Rev. Samuel D. Price, was accepted, and its recommendations adopted as follows:

Sabbath
Observance.

1. That Synod urges all churches within its bounds to patronize only such places for their Sunday-school picnics as are closed on the Sabbath-day.

2. That since the Sunday newspaper, Sunday traveling and Sunday social functions are inconsistent with God's intention in giving the Sabbath to man, we earnestly urge that these things and all else that does not keep the day holy be given up by pastors, elders and communicants.

3. That we most heartily commend and warmly endorse the work of the American Sabbath Union and the Woman's National Alliance in their faithful efforts to preserve in its purity the Christian Sabbath.

4. That we call the attention of our ministers to resolution No. 8, of the General Assembly's Committee (Minutes 1905, page 22), recommending that during the month of April a sermon be preached on the subject of Sabbath observance, and that, if the way is clear, an offering be made for the work of the American Sabbath Union, to be sent to Col. A. S. Bacon, Treas., 37 Liberty street, New York City.

5. That a committee be appointed or this committee be instructed to print the most important Sabbath laws that are being violated, stating the means of redress that can be taken, and that the same be mailed to each minister in the Synod, not later than January 1st, 1906, provided they cannot be codified in time to become a part of the annual printed record of the Synod of New Jersey.

In connection with this report Synod listened to an address by the Rev. Thomas J. Cross, of Philadelphia, on the subject of Sabbath Observance.

Address.

Synod was then addressed by the Rev. John H. Kerr, D.D., Editorial Secretary of the American Tract Society, in behalf of the work of that Society.

American
Tract Society.

The following resolution, offered by the Rev. Lyman Whitney Allen, D.D., was adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod, in accordance with its action in past years and that of successive General Assemblies, hereby renews its hearty approval of the American Tract Society in its indispensable work of producing and circulating evangelical literature in the languages of the peoples at home and abroad, and commends it to increased benevolent support of the churches of Synod, recommending the appointment of standing committees on its work in each Presbytery, where such action has not already been taken.

Arrangements.

The adoption of the recommendation of the Committee of Arrangements, fixing the hour of the opening of the afternoon session of Synod at 2:30 o'clock, was reconsidered and the hour of 2:00 o'clock was fixed as the time of opening the session of Synod this afternoon.

Synod now engaged in devotional services for half an hour, being led by the Rev. Eben B. Cobb, D.D., and immediately thereafter took recess until 2:00 o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 2:00 P. M.

Synod met and resumed business.

Special
Committees.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

To have charge of temperance legislation before the Legislature of the State, Rev. Joseph Howell, Rev. Hugh K. Fulton, Rev. D. Ruby Warne, Elders Arnold F. Stout, William T. Smock.

On College Visitation, Rev. William W. Knox, D. D., Rev. John T. Kerr, Rev. David R. Frazer, D.D., Elders Matthias J. Price, Carroll Robbins.

By resolution of the Synod the Moderator was appointed Chairman of this committee.

The Stated Clerk was directed to print the Statistical report without reading.

The Treasurer was directed to pay the usual bills and salaries. Bills Paid.

The following resolution of thanks, offered by the Rev. George H. Ingram, was unanimously adopted: Thanks.

Resolved, That the thanks of Synod be tendered to the pastor, Session and trustees of the Cape May Church for their generous hospitality; to the choir for their services at the popular services; to the Pennsylvania Railroad for special cars and other favors, and to the newspapers for their reports of the proceedings.

The Permanent Committee on Temperance presented a supplemental report, which was accepted and its recommendation adopted as follows: Temperance.

There has been referred to your committee a communication from Mrs. H. S. Ellis, National Secretary of the Sunday-school Temperance Work of the Non-Partisan W. C. T. U., requesting of this Synod the introduction into our Sunday-schools of certain methods of temperance instruction. We recommend that the Stated Clerk of Synod be instructed to acknowledge the receipt of this paper, with the statement that we are in full sympathy with the object of the same, but as we already, in a very large measure, under the direction of our General Assembly, are doing the work proposed, we deem it unnecessary to take further action in the matter.

The Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions presented a supplemental report, which was accepted and its recommendation adopted as follows: Woman's
Foreign
Missions.

The Synod has received with great pleasure the annual report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions. It heartily commends the faithfulness, diligence and zeal of the woman's societies throughout the Synod, and prays for continued blessing upon their labors.

Asbury Park was chosen as the place of the next meeting of Synod. Next Place.

The report of the Permanent Clerk on Attendance and Leave of Absence was read and is as follows: Attendance.

There have been in attendance 120 ministers, 56 ruling elders and 12 corresponding members; in all, 188.

The following have been excused for absence:

FROM THE PRESENT MEETING.

Elizabeth—Ministers Ezra F. Mundy, Charles F. Shaw, D.D., Baker Smith, D.D.

Monmouth—Ministers Horace G. Hinsdale, D.D., William Hollinshed, Thomas Tyack, D.D., Herman C. Fox, D.D., Henry T. Graham.

Morris and Orange—Ministers James B. Beaumont, George H. Smyth, D.D., Herman C. Gruhnert, John M. Thomas.

New Brunswick—Ministers Amzi L. Armstrong, Henry Clay Cameron, D.D., Ph.D., Lewis S. Mudge, Daniel R. Foster.

West Jersey—Minister Allen H. Brown, D.D.

AFTER MONDAY EVENING.

Newark—Minister Joseph Hamilton.

AFTER TUESDAY MORNING.

Monmouth—Elder Cyrus Kneet, M.D.

AFTER TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Monmouth—Minister James M. L. Eckard.

Newton—Minister James DeHart Bruen, Elder George M. Shipman.

AFTER TUESDAY EVENING.

Elizabeth—Ministers Samuel Parry, Herbert K. England, William Hopough, Charles B. Condit, Lawrence R. Howard, Elders Clifford Willis, D. C. Anderson, Samuel Johnston, Willett H. C. Coles.

Jersey City—Ministers James Scott Young, Charles A. Evans.

Monmouth—Ministers Adolos Allen, John G. Lovell, Elder D. C. Lewis.

Morris and Orange—Ministers James F. Riggs, D.D., Stanley White, John F. Patterson, D.D.

Newark—Ministers I. B. Hopwood, D.D., Davis W. Lusk, D.D., Joseph F. Folsom, Llewellyn S. Fulmer.

New Brunswick—Ministers James W. Rogan, D.D., Francis Palmer, Elders Franklin Dye, John A. Campbell.

Newton—Minister William Thomson, Elder Charles Oberly.

West Jersey—Minister Alfred P. Botsford, D.D.

AFTER WEDNESDAY NOON.

Elizabeth—Minister Joseph O. McKelvey, Elder L. N. Lovell.

Jersey City—Ministers James H. Owens, Henry C. Cronin.

Monmouth—Ministers Charles L. Candee, Frederick E. Stockwell, James H. Dunham.

Newark—Minister Nelson B. Chester, Elder William Kirkpatrick.

Newton—Minister Clarence W. Rouse.

West Jersey—Ministers Frederic R. Brace, D.D., Homer W. Taylor.

Rev. Robert Scott Inglis addressed the Synod in behalf of the work of the Board of Freedmen. Address.

The roll was called and the following members were found absent without excuse.

Elizabeth—Elders R. W. Woodward, Thomas B. Lindsay.

Havana—Minister Pedro Rioseco.

Jersey City—Ministers David Chambers Stewart, John C. Scarborough, Ph.D.

Monmouth—Ministers Alfred H. Dashiell, D.D., Joseph E. Curry, Charles H. Whitaker.

Newark—Elders David McConaughy, Hamilton T. Disbrow.

New Brunswick—Ministers Henry Collin Minton, D.D., LL.D., John D. Davis, D.D., Joseph Howell, Cordie J. Culp, Samuel T. Graham, Matthew F. Johnston, Elders Isaac Mather, George L. Moore.

Newton—Elder David C. Carter.

West Jersey—Ministers David H. King, D.D., William Allen, Jr., Walter L. Steiner, Egedius Kelmayer, Thomas C. Sterling, Ph.D., Elders Elmer E. Wilson, Swain W. Reeves, William A. Williamson, J. Hollis Hoffman, Frank O. Ware.

The minutes of to-day's sessions were read and approved.

The Synod adjourned to meet in the First Church, Asbury Park, on Monday, October 15th, 1906.

The session closed with singing, prayer and the benediction.

JOHN T. KERR,

Permanent Clerk.

WALTER A. BROOKS,

Stated Clerk.

The preceding pages contain a complete and accurate report of the proceedings of the Synod of New Jersey, at its meeting in Cape May, New Jersey, October 16th to 18th, 1905.

Attest: Walter A. Brooks,
Stated Clerk.

Approved in General Assembly
at Des Moines, Ia. 26 May 1906

Hunter Corbett

Moderator

By Wm. H. Roberts
Stated Clerk

APPENDIX.

I.—NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY, FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTO- BER 19th, 1905.

The Narrative of one of our Presbyteries opens with the statement that the state of religion within its limits shows no marks of unusual interest. The same language will fairly describe the religious situation in the Synod. The life of the churches does not in any respect arrest attention. The organization holds, the ranks have suffered no loss, the leadership is earnest and probably more efficient because better informed. No positions of value have been surrendered, but the land has not been more completely possessed. No new heights have been taken. That, on the basis of Presbyterial reports, is the whole story; the rest is detail or explanation.

This means that the usual congregation services have been maintained, worship on Sunday morning and evening, and prayer-meeting on a week night. The churches seem satisfied with the attendance at the Sunday morning service, which approximates the membership. The numbers present at the Sunday evening service few pastors like to count; perhaps they equal two-fifths of the membership. The children, however, are attending the Sunday morning services in goodly proportions.

The prayer-meeting is the despair of the pastors and the anxiety of the Sessions. Whether the church be near to the strenuous life of the city, as one Narrative has it, or in the heart of Sussex or Cape May, the attendance is equally small. One hopeful Narrative tells us that over a fourth of the membership attend this honored service; the rest estimate—the number is about one in ten.

The most encouraging fact to be noted is the growing appreciation of the Sunday-school. If the churches have gone after strange gods in the past they are returning in penitence and with love to the Sunday-school as their best field of duty and the weapon of success. The attendance is not yet increasing, the old teachers' meeting for the study of the lesson has gone the way of the singing-school and the lecture lyceum, though it takes place monthly or quarterly, for business and social purposes. The teaching of the Catechism is perfunctory. Apparently, the schools appreciate the importance of instructing through the medium of the Westminster Lesson Helps. Many of the schools, perhaps half, possess libraries and distribute books which do not always re-enforce religious teaching. How should they when they have been bought but not selected?

Our churches display a wholesome dread of unnecessary machinery. We have none too many societies. The need of a Ladies' Aid Society, whatever be its name, is generally felt and met. There is not quite so general appreciation of the usefulness of a Woman's Missionary Society, as in one Presbytery one church in four has no such organization. Where these exist the emphasis is quite decidedly on mission study in the newer sense of the term. Young people's societies exist in our churches with very few exceptions. They are generally of the Christian Endeavor variety. Their enthusiasm has cooled somewhat with age, yet they are voted still to possess value. An effort is being made, especially in Jersey City Presbytery, to organize boys along lines that appeal to them. There are very few men's societies in our Synod, and these are chiefly in the cities and suburban towns. Their objects are literary, social, financial, athletic, philanthropic, mission study and devotional. It is safe to say that these societies are wanted by pastors more than by the men of the church, and that while they are terribly needed, as at present organized, they are not successful to any extent in promoting the spiritual life and work of the church.

There is no visible alteration of conditions in the spiritual state of the church. Our total membership, excluding the Presbyteries of Corisco and Havana, is 72,563. The additions to our churches last year were 3,080; percentage of gain about $4\frac{1}{4}$, and this percentage was about the same in both urban and rural Presbyteries. In 1904 additions by examination, 3,616; in 1903, 3,122. This year our gain is 464 less than in 1904 and 42 less than in 1903. For 1905 there is a gain of 103 members. We leave out of account those who have been dismissed by letter from our churches. They have probably united with other churches, largely Presbyterian, many in this Synod. We omit also those received by certificate. We have left, then, on this side of our ledger, those placed on the "reserve" roll, largely lost to the visible church, 2,094, and those who have died, 1,309; total loss, 3,403; from which we must deduct for Corisco and Havana 57, leaving a net loss of 3,346 for 1905; this we offset, by additions on examinations, 3,080, showing a real loss of 266. Our apparent gain of 103 is entirely due to the additions by certificate from other churches. For our gain some one is poorer.

Our people are giving as aforesaid, children are presented for baptism by the more devoted parents. It is thought that family religion is somewhat neglected.

The care of church property and the management of funds is almost exclusively in the hands of trustees. It is a pleasure to know that church affairs, so far as they involve money, are being conducted in a most businesslike way, to the convenience of the minister and the fair name of the church.

CLARENCE W. ROUSE,
Chairman.

II.—NECROLOGICAL REPORT.

During the past year there have been no deaths in the Presbyteries of Corisco, Elizabeth, Havana, Morris and Orange and Newark. In the others there have been three deaths in the Presbytery of Jersey City, two in Monmouth, two in New Brunswick, two in Newton and one in West Jersey. Named in order of the date of death the list is:

Rev. James Boyd Porter, of Presbytery of Newton, died September 30th, 1904, in his 50th year.

Rev. Thaddeus Wilson, D.D., of Presbytery of Monmouth, died October 28th, 1904, in his 81st year.

Rev. James D. Hunter, D. D., of Presbytery of West Jersey, died December 23, 1904, in his 56th year.

Rev. Philo French Leavens, D.D., of Presbytery of Jersey City, died December 26th, 1904, in his 67th year.

Rev. James Wyckoff, of Presbytery of Jersey City, died January 3d, 1905, in his 66th year.

Rev. Ephraim Simanton, of Presbytery of Newton, died January 24th, 1905, in his 83d year.

Rev. James Johnson Coale, of Presbytery of Monmouth, died March 26th, 1905, in his 69th year.

Rev. Albert Clark Titus, of Presbytery of New Brunswick, died May 1st, 1905, in his 58th year.

Rev. Andrew Colville, of Presbytery of Jersey City, died May 6th, 1905, in his 60th year.

Rev. Archibald Alexander Murphy, of Presbytery of New Brunswick, died May 19th, 1905, in his 54th year.

The graves of most all the men mentioned in this list were made in the cemeteries within the bounds of this Synod, and only one was born in this State. At the time of their death six of these were in the active duties of the pastorate, two were retired, and two engaged in business. One held a pastorate in one church for twenty-two years, one for about thirty-eight, and one for forty-five years. While all of these gave their hearts to God in youth or early manhood, two at least were only twelve years of age at their conversion. Six studied theology at Princeton Seminary, two at Union, and one at Rutgers, New Brunswick. The average age of these ten deceased members is sixty-four years, but the roll of our Synod has 475 names, and so the mortality list for this year shows a proportion of death of one out of forty-seven. This proportion, or rate, suggests that by the kind providence of our God during this year in our Synod, the average period of ministerial labors is forty-seven years. Here is a contrast of figures that is a suggestive study for us all: The death list shows an average age of life of sixty-four years, and the death rate shows an average period of service of forty-seven years. Nine of these deceased members were survived by wife or children, death breaking in on that number of our family cir-

cles. One of these deaths makes vacant the chairmanship of one of the Synod's important permanent committees.

In the constant appearance of death among us and in the busy activities of the mystery of life, we, as God's people, may rest in the unperturbed peace and the calm assurance that neither death nor life "shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord," in whose service we serve.

REV. JAMES BOYD PORTER

(of the Presbytery of Newton)

Was born in Riceville, Tennessee, October 16th, 1854, the eldest son of William W. and Elizabeth A. (Swan) Porter. When twelve years of age he made public profession of his Christian faith in the Presbyterian Church (O. S.) of Madisonville, Tenn. His preparatory studies were pursued at Madisonville under Prof. W. L. McSpalden, and in the preparatory department of Maryville College, at which college he subsequently graduated in 1877. At the Princeton Theological Seminary he took a full three-years course, and was graduated there in 1880. He was licensed by the Presbytery of Kingston, Tenn., May 28th, 1880, and by the same Presbytery ordained an evangelist September 12th, 1880, having dedicated himself to the work of Foreign Missions. Before sailing for his chosen field, Japan, he was stated supply of the Washington and Caledonia churches, Tenn., in the year 1880-81. He began his missionary labors in Japan in November, 1881. From that time until November, 1883, he resided alternately at Kanazawa and Osaka, studying the language; from 1883 to 1888 he was a teacher in the boys' school at Kanazawa; from November, 1888, to February, 1890, he engaged in evangelistic work at Osaka, and from that time until April, 1891, in similar work at Kyoto. After this he spent a year in America, on a vacation. In June, 1892, he returned to Japan and resumed his evangelistic labors at Kyoto; but in December, 1899, he was obliged to leave Japan and return home, owing to a very serious accident, which befell him on a long journey to the place where the Presbytery was to convene. Traversing on his wheel a narrow road, cut out of a precipice along the seashore, he endeavored to avoid an obstruction, and went over the edge, first striking a ledge of rock, and then tumbling five hundred feet to the beach. He was so bruised that it required months to nurse him back to life. After returning to the home-land he became stated supply of the Union, Pisgah and Centre churches, Ind., with his residence at Logansport, from September, 1900, until April, 1903, and stated supply at the West Lebanon, Marshfield and State Line churches, Ind., residing in the first named from April, 1903, until May, 1904. At that time he was elected pastor of the churches at Delaware and Knowlton, N. J., and he had taken up his work there, having united with the Presbytery of Newton and about to be installed when he met his death instantly, being run over by a train on the

Delaware and Lackawanna Railroad, near Delaware, September 30, 1904, nearly fifty years of age. He was buried at Delaware, N. J.

On October 16th, 1884, in Kanazawa, Japan, he was married to Miss Sarah Keyporte Cummings, M.D., a medical missionary, who with an only son survives him.

REV. THADDEUS WILSON, D.D.,

(*of the Presbytery of Monmouth*)

Was born a few miles east of Goshen, near Wallkill and Stonyford rivers, March 8th, 1824, and had one brother, Andrew Wilson, Jr., but no sisters. He descended from God-fearing ancestry, of Covenanter antecedents, that came from Londonderry, Ireland, and in the United States belonged to the Associate Reformed Church. His grandfather fought under General Washington, was with him at Valley Forge, and his name is on the pledge signed by Washington's soldiers to remain faithful throughout the discouragements of the times; and he was afterwards among the sufferers on the dreadful "Prison Ships." The same loyal patriotic spirit descended to the son Andrew (Dr. Wilson's father), who joined the army of 1812 when he was about twenty years of age. Dr. Wilson's parents were Andrew Wilson, born March 11th, 1790, and Melinda Ann Bull, born January 15th, 1792; both born at Wallkill, Orange county, N. Y. There they lived for a time, afterwards at Goshen, N. Y., and for eight years at Amherst, Mass. Dr. Wilson attended school at Goshen, and in 1843 was graduated at Amherst College. That same year he entered Princeton Theological Seminary, where he studied for somewhat more than two academical years. He was ordained by the Presbytery of Hudson, September 28th, 1847, and at the same time was installed pastor at Centreville, N. Y., where he had previously been preaching for three months. At Centreville he labored for about five years, and then, in the fall of 1852, he began his pastorate in the church at Shrewsbury, N. J., one of the Presbyterian churches of Monmouth county to which the Royal Collegiate Charter was granted by King George the Second, through Governor Jonathan Belcher, February 21st, 1750. Dr. Wilson accepted the work at Shrewsbury under an annual salary of \$400. His Presbyterian parish was widely extended, at that time reaching from Old Tennent on the west to the ocean shore on the east, and from Matawan on the north to Squan Village (Manasquan) on the south. Some of his most prompt and regular hearers came from Deal and Long Branch. The Red Bank church was an offshoot from Shrewsbury, and was organized just before Dr. Wilson's coming, and for a time was dependent upon the ministerial service of the Shrewsbury pastor. At Eatontown Dr. Wilson conducted Sabbath afternoon services, which, about 1874, were changed to the evening, and a commodious edifice was erected there; and thus for many years now the Shrewsbury church has worshiped in two sanctuaries, at the home church in the morning and at the Eatontown church in the evening. Dr. Wilson's influence was beneficially felt in

all the community. A school for boys was organized in Shrewsbury under his supervision and a library was founded with his co-operation and assistance.

Dr. Wilson continued pastor at Shrewsbury for forty-five years, until the spring of 1897, when he resigned his charge because of infirm health, and the congregation immediately elected him pastor emeritus. After this he went to reside at Spring Lake, N. J., where he had built a cottage. There in quiet life he lived, welcoming his friends to his fellowship with the same hospitality that had characterized his home in the parsonage at Shrewsbury. His health gradually declined, till he died, with the burden of old age, on Friday morning, October 28th, 1904, and his grave was made in the cemetery at Shrewsbury. He left many manuscript sermons, but published no books, nor any articles except of local interest. Amherst College, his alma mater, in 1893, conferred on him the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity.

He was married May 17th, 1848, to Charlotte A. Miller, daughter of James W. Miller, of Newburgh, N. Y., and there were born to him seven children, of whom two survived him, viz., Edmund Wilson, counsellor-at-law, Red Bank, N. J., and Eliza Wilson, of Spring Lake.

Recently the congregation of Shrewsbury and the friends of Dr. Wilson placed on the wall above the pulpit of the church, as a memorial to his life, a handsome tablet of inscribed brass, which was unveiled with appropriate service.

REV. JAMES D. HUNTER, D.D.

(of the Presbytery of West Jersey)

Was born in Harrisburg, Carroll county, Ohio, October 29th, 1849, the son of George and Rosanna (Harkless) Hunter. At the age of twelve years he united with the Presbyterian Church of Decatur, Ind. His preparatory studies were pursued at the Academy in Savannah, Ohio, where he remained two years. In 1874 he entered Lafayette College, and was graduated there in 1878. While at Savannah he did excellent work in the Sunday-school there, and during his college course at Lafayette he was superintendent of a mission Sunday-school in Phillipsburg, N. J. He entered Union Theological Seminary, New York, 1878, and studied there for two years, supplying the church at Montana, N. J., during the summers of 1879 and 1880. He was licensed by the Presbytery of Lehigh, June 16th, 1880, and was ordained and installed as pastor of the Deerfield church, by the Presbytery of West Jersey, November 30th, 1880, and served that church until December 9th, 1883. His work there was most successful with the ingatherings from a gracious revival of religion, with the renovation of the church building, and with a debt removed. From April 29th, 1884, until April 13th, 1892, he was pastor of the church at Greencastle, Pa., in the Presbytery of Carlisle, where, during his pastorate, he received 104 persons into the communion on profession, and the church edifice was much improved, and a chapel was erected. Then from May 24th, 1892, until May 13th,

1902, he was pastor of the Central Church of Norristown: while there he received 158 persons into church membership on profession of faith, and much work was done on the church buildings. Afterwards, for a short time, Dr. Hunter was in Indianapolis, Ind., in supply work, and later doing the same in the neighborhood of Philadelphia. July 15th, 1904, he became pastor of the church in Pleasantville, which he served up to the time of his death, by Bright's disease, on December 23d, 1904, in his fifty-sixth year. He was buried at Pleasantville, in accordance with his dying wish. In 1899 Lafayette College conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity. He was a Commissioner to the General Assembly in 1889. His published writings are "An Historical Sermon, the Church in Franklin County, Pa.," thirty-two pages, and a book, "John Mark, or the Making of a Saint," 114 pages.

Dr. Hunter was married December 25th, 1879, in Phillipsburg, N. J., to Anna Mary Hess, who, with one daughter aged eight years, survives him.

REV. PHILO FRENCH LEAVENS, D.D.

(*of the Presbytery of Jersey City*)

Was born in Berkshire, Vermont, November 19th, 1838. His boyhood was spent in his native town. In 1861 he was graduated at the University of Vermont, and at Union Theological Seminary in 1866. The honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon him in 1888 by his alma mater. He had but one pastorate, which began in 1867 and continued for about thirty-eight years, over the First Presbyterian Church in Passaic, N. J. When he began his labors there the communicants numbered only twenty-two. From 1865 to 1871 the congregation worshiped in halls and stores, then built a frame church, which was used until 1886, when a brown stone church was erected at a cost of \$60,000; and during the last ten years the church, the Sabbath-school hall and the parsonage all became free from debt. For years Dr. Leavens served in Synod's Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions, and was chairman of the Committee on Home Missions in his Presbytery; and the churches in Garfield and Wellington, as well as the Grace Church of Passaic, are especially due to his foresight and care.

Dr. Leavens was a large-hearted, large-minded man. He had a rich magnanimous nature; and the royal generosity of his soul affected his thinking as well as his living, and his living as well as his thinking. He was liberal in his thought because he was generous in his feeling. But if he moved toward the new he did so always with reverence toward the old. If he clung to the old he did so always tolerant and kindly toward the new. The humanity of a large soul inspired by Christian love was manifest in him. But his kindness did not tend toward weakness; where righteousness and evangelical truth were concerned Dr. Leavens was always strong. His ethereal side was always to the fore, high and broad and massive and holy, "Known and read of all

men." As a preacher he impressed the hearer that a genuine man was in the pulpit; and this impression was deepened because the man spoke so truly, so fearlessly, and yet so kindly toward all. In Presbytery and in pastorate he influenced men by the richness of his thinking, the tenderness of his feeling, and the earnestness of his spirit; and he had power because of his living faith in the Divine Master.

He died December 26th, 1904, from pneumonia, contracted when he was subjected to unusual exposure in attending a funeral. He was married in 1873, and was the father of four children, three of whom survived him.

REV. JAMES WYCKOFF

(of the Presbytery of Jersey City)

Was born in Lodi, N. Y., January 16th, 1839. His preparatory studies were pursued at Ovid Academy, and he entered Rutgers, where his standing was high. He was junior orator of his class, and on his graduation in 1861 received a commencement appointment. Later he entered the Seminary in New Brunswick, from which he graduated in 1864. Mr. Wyckoff had six pastorates: the first at the Reformed Church of Queens, Long Island, where he remained seven years, during which time he was married in 1864 to Anna V. N. De Forest, of Somerville, N. J., and in 1866, after her death, to Katherine Talmage, of Chittenango, N. Y. His second pastorate was for three years in the Reformed Church of Bushnell, Ill.; then nine years in the Reformed Church of Germantown, N. Y.; then thirteen years in the Presbyterian Church of Pine Plains, N. Y., during which time he married Mary W. Shufeldt, of Kingston, N. Y. His fifth pastorate was for three years in the Christian Reformed Church of Leonia, N. J.; and then he organized the Presbyterian Church of Leonia, N. J., where he remained as pastor until his death, which took place January 3d, 1905.

Mr. Wyckoff, in manners, was gentle and grave, yet winsome withal, too modest to be often heard on the floor of Presbytery, a man of gentleness, and courtesy, and quiet power. He had the natural elements of a good character and true minister of Jesus Christ. A man of strong convictions, energetic faith, he entered into rest calm in his hopes.

He was the father of three children, all of whom survived him.

REV. EPHRAIM SIMANTON.

(of the Presbytery of Newton)

Was born in the village of Richmond, Northampton county, Pa., February 26th, 1822, the son of John and Mary (Brod) Simanton. His father's mother was among those who escaped the Wyoming massacre in 1778, living for days on berries in the wilderness. Reared in a godly household, attending the country schools, clerking in his father's store, he grew up, and when about nineteen years of age he made a public profession of his Christian faith in the old Presbyterian Church at

Lower Mt. Bethel, Pa. His preparatory studies were pursued in the Model School connected with Lafayette College, under Professor Yeomans, and he graduated from Lafayette College in 1846, being the valedictorian of his class. Entering the Theological Seminary at Princeton in the fall of the same year, he took the full three-years course there, graduating in 1849. On August 2d, 1849, he was licensed by the Presbytery of Newton, and then for a time engaged in missionary work in the mountain regions of Pike county, Pa., traveling on horseback, in true itinerate style, with his saddle-bags strapped behind him. From November, 1849, to April, 1850, he supplied the Andover, Tranquillity and Allamuchy churches, N. J. He was ordained by the Presbytery of Newton, December 2d; 1851, and at the same time installed pastor of the church at Danville, N. J., which he had been supplying since April of the year previous. His work there showed results in a remodeled and improved sanctuary, the church that had been aided by the Board of Home Missions becoming self-supporting, and the church membership increasing from thirty-three to one hundred and twenty-four. His relation with Danville Church was dissolved April 24th, 1867. On giving up this charge he retired to his farm near Vienna, N. J., where he resided until 1880, when he removed to a farm near Hackettstown, N. J., where he spent the remainder of his life. During all the years of his retirement from the active ministry he continued preaching in the surrounding country as opportunity offered and his health allowed. He died January 24th, 1905, near Hackettstown, of apoplexy, and was buried in the Pequest Cemetery, Danville, N. J. During one of his vacations while a student in the Seminary, he was a colporteur for the American Tract Society.

Mr. Simanton was married May 10th, 1853, in Mansfield township, Warren county, N. J., to Elizabeth Davis, who, with three sons, survived him. One of his sons is Rev. Thomas M. Simanton, an alumnus of Princeton Seminary, and once pastor of the Lower Valley Presbyterian Church, Califon, N. J.

REV. JAMES JOHNSON COALE

(of the Presbytery of Monmouth)

Was born at West Nottingham (Colora), Md., June 3d, 1836, the son of George M. and Ann Eliza (Johnson) Coale. He had one brother, George H., and one sister, Margaret Susan. When he was only six months of age he moved with his parents to a cotton plantation near Mobile, Ala. There his father died, and afterwards the widowed mother, when James was twelve years of age, returned with her family to Maryland. Mr. Coale studied in the Academy of Bel Air, Md., and also in that of York, Pa., and when he was eighteen years of age went to work in Baltimore. In that city he united with the First Presbyterian Church. When he was about twenty-one years old he entered Princeton College, from which he was graduated in 1862, and from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1865, where he took a full three years' course.

In 1866 he was stated supply of the church at Plattsmouth, Neb., and on April 11, 1867, he was ordained by the Presbytery of Baltimore, and became pastor of the Broadway Church of Baltimore, where he remained until 1870, when ill health compelled him to relinquish his charge in that city. After this he went to Arch Springs, Pa., and for twenty-two years was pastor of the Sinking Valley Church of Blair county. There was a large church and a large field in that district, and a revival resulted in the building of another church at Spruce Creek, Mr. Coale serving both churches until 1892.

On May 18th, 1894, Mr. Coale was installed pastor of the church at Toms River, N. J., by the Presbytery of Monmouth, in which office he labored, was loved and respected in the church and by the town people until his death, March 26th, 1905. He had gone to the Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia, during the previous Christmas week to receive treatment for heart trouble in the form of hardened arteries; and after a prolonged convalescence in the hospital was shortly expecting to return to his work, when death found him suddenly on a Sunday afternoon and with his Bible open in his lap. His grave was made in the Riverside Cemetery at Toms River.

Besides being a preacher and pastor, Mr. Coale was also an instructor of youth in educational branches. He was a tutor in Princeton College from 1864 to 1866. After he left the pastorate of the Sinking Valley Church he became the principal of the academy for boys at Mount Holly, N. J., serving there from 1892 to 1894. And in addition to his pastoral duties at Toms River he conducted a private school for a number of years in that place.

Mr. Coale married, in 1867, Miss Arabella Parker, of State Hill, York county, Pa., and ten children were born to him, six daughters and four sons. His eldest son, Isaac, a New York lawyer, and one of his daughters, Elizabeth, preceded him to the grave, and the wife and eight children survived him.

REV. ALBERT CLARK TITUS.

(of the Presbytery of New Brunswick)

Was born in Trenton, N. J., October 9th, 1847, of a family long identified with the Presbyterian Church. April 13th, 1866, when eighteen years of age, he made public profession of his Christian faith in the First Presbyterian Church of Trenton, Rev. John Hall, D.D., pastor. His preparatory studies were pursued in the Trenton Academy and the State Model School, and he was graduated at Princeton College in 1869. After a full three years' course he graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1872. He was licensed by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, April 10th, 1872, and on July 9th, 1872, he was ordained by the Presbytery of Carlisle and installed pastor of the church at Newport, Pa., where he fulfilled a useful pastorate until 1875. From 1876 to 1881 he was pastor of the church at Andover, N. Y. Then he was called back to Trenton to assist his brothers in conducting the

manufacturing business left in their hands by the death of their father. He relinquished the active service of the ministry with great regret, but felt it his duty, as the eldest son, to devote himself to the care of the family interests. Returning to Trenton, he associated himself with the Fourth Presbyterian Church, in whose pulpit he occasionally preached, and of whose Sabbath-school he became for a time the faithful superintendent. In the past few years he was in the congregation and a helper in the work of the Prospect Street Church, where he conducted a class of boys and young men in the Sabbath-school, and where his participation in the prayer meetings of the church was especially helpful. An affection of the heart made his last year a time of much weakness and suffering patiently borne, and he died on May 1st, 1905. His grave was made in the cemetery of the old Ewing Church, Mercer county, N. J.

Mr. Titus was twice married: first on October 23d, 1872, to Miss Mary J. Whitehead, of which marriage two sons, Walter and William, survived their parents; and second on October 14th, 1896, to Miss Rebecca F. Johnson, who survived him.

REV. ANDREW COLVILLE

(of the Presbytery of Jersey City)

Was born about sixty years ago. His first charge was the chapel of the Fourth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York; and his last the Scotch Presbyterian Church, Jersey City, to which he was called in December, 1884. While there he became insane, and was unable thereafter to undertake the work of a pastoral charge. About 1891 his malady became so intense and made him so violent that it was found necessary to place him in an asylum. But for several years prior to his death he was at home with his family; and in his last hours he was calm and peaceful, and passed away quietly. He died at his home on May 6th, 1905.

Mr. Colville was twice married. His first wife died early in his ministry. His second wife and five daughters survived him.

REV. ARCHIBALD ALEXANDER MURPHY

(of the Presbytery of New Brunswick)

Was born in Philadelphia (Frankford), Pa., October 30th, 1851, the son of Rev. Thomas Murphy, D.D., LL.D. As a child of the covenant he early professed his Christian faith in his father's church in Frankford, Pa. His preparatory studies were pursued in his native city, and he was graduated at Princeton College in 1872. The following autumn he entered Princeton Theological Seminary, where he studied more than two years. On January 13th, 1881, he was ordained by the Presbytery of Philadelphia North, and during his life served a number of churches. He was pastor of the Leverington Church, Philadelphia,

from 1881 to 1882; pastor of the First Church of Port Carbon, Pa., from 1882 to 1886; stated supply of the church at Huron, South Dakota, from 1886 to 1887; pastor of the Spring Garden Church, Philadelphia, from 1888 to 1890; pastor of the First Church, Springfield, Ohio, from 1891 to 1894; and pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church in New Brunswick, N. J., from 1894 to 1904, when he resigned because of needed rest and impaired health. He died May 19th, 1905, of heart disease, after a brief illness; and his body was borne to its grave at Blawenburg, N. J., by young men, students, whom he had befriended by giving them a home with himself in his bachelor apartments.

Mr. Murphy was never married, and at his death was the last of his family. Having made bequests to some distant relatives, he left a considerable legacy to the Board of Ministerial Relief, proving himself a true and generous friend to the ministry of the Presbyterian Church.

FRANK R. SYMMES,

Chairman.

III.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS IN NEW JERSEY.

Nineteenth Year.

For the first time in the history of this Committee, it is called upon to report the death of one of its members in active service. The Rev. Philo French Leavens, D.D., chairman of the Committee and the representative upon it of Jersey City Presbytery, died at his home in Passaic, December 26th, 1904. The feeling of the Committee finds expression upon its records in the following minute:

"In the death of the Rev. Philo French Leavens, D.D., the cause of Synodical Home Missions has lost a leader not only in official position, but in activity and in worth. Three months before his death he had been chosen to fill the vacant chairmanship of Synod's Committee by the unanimous voice of his colleagues. For nine years he had been a member of this Committee. He had served upon the Committee in Jersey City Presbytery from the inauguration of Synod's plan. His activity and interest in missionary work in New Jersey began with his ministry. He came to Passaic in 1867, a licentiate, to take charge of a small, unorganized, homeless congregation. In the thirty-seven years of his pastorate there, he led that congregation successfully through all the vicissitudes of organization, growth, building, rebuilding and debt-paying. He brought it up to large numbers, complete equipment, great activity and usefulness. Through his own congregation he established Dundee Chapel, which has since grown into Grace Church, and secured the building of Wallington Church. As a member of his Presbytery, he was active in all efforts for church extension among its growing populations.

"He took unusual interest in the religious welfare of people of other tongues who came into the community. The First Holland Reformed Church, the German Presbyterian Church, the Hungarian Reformed Church and the Slovak Lutheran Church were all started with his co-operation and in buildings owned by his church. He was foremost in all philanthropic and educational movements in the town.

"But while the community in which he dwelt was the center of his activity and interest, the circumference was wide as the world. He was no less a student and helper of missions in foreign lands than he was helper and student of missions to natives and foreigners in our own land.

"As his associates upon this Committee we came to admire him for his wealth of information and his independence of thought; we respected him for his high tone, his sincerity and his frankness; we loved him for his uniform kindness and his unflagging zeal. We mourn

the loss of a dear friend, a wise counsellor, a ready and efficient helper, a safe yet aggressive leader.

"He was an earnest and useful servant of men for the Lord's sake. He has entered into his rest, his works follow him."

CHANGES IN THE COMMITTEE.

The Presbytery of Jersey City promoted to the vacant chairmanship of its committee Rev. Fisher Howe Booth, who had previously served as secretary. He immediately took his place upon the Synod's committee and has already given good evidence of his activity and efficiency. The chairmanship of the committee in Newark Presbytery became vacant in June by the removal of Rev. J. Garland Hammer, Jr., to another denomination. We give a very cordial welcome to the Rev. Robert Scott Inglis, of the Third Church, Newark, who has been since appointed to the position. He took his seat as a member of Synod's Committee just as the fiscal year was closing.

Review of the Year.

By the good favor of our God manifest through the gifts and labors of ministers, elders and people and through the results thereby secured, we are able to report for the nineteenth year of Synodical Home Missions in New Jersey a fresh advance.

THE FINANCES.

Receipts.—The total available funds for the year amounted to \$21,018.19. Of this amount \$1,396.65 was the balance from last year, and \$398.05 was income from the Van Meter Fund belonging to the Presbytery of West Jersey. This leaves the net receipts of the year available for Synod's work \$19,223.49. This exceeds by \$668.30 the receipts of the largest previous year, that of 1902. Even eliminating a single gift of \$500 intended for the preceding year, the fact remains that the offerings for Synodical Home Missions were greater the past year than ever before. To accomplish this, six of the eight home Presbyteries gave more than the minimum quota apportioned to them to raise. Only once has the proportion of Presbyteries doing this been exceeded, only three times has it been equaled in the history of this work.

That the aggregate gift of the Presbytery of Newark was the smallest made in fourteen years is largely, if not wholly, accounted for by the fact that the chairmanship in that Presbytery was vacant for some time just at the critical period of the year. The new chairman, assuming office in the last month, had no opportunity to retrieve the day. During the year, however, the Synod's Committee has been glad to grant larger aid than ever to Newark Presbytery. The aggregate considerably exceeded the gifts of the Presbytery to Synod's fund. It is anticipated that in the current year there will be a great advance in Newark's contributions.

Newton Presbytery, as a whole, is confronted by peculiar financial difficulties, but the fact that at least four times in the past she has reached or surpassed her quota, and this year falls short by less than \$250 gives hope that her thirty-five churches will also catch the enthusiasm of the advancing movement and more than overleap this gap during the present year.

Particular praise is due the churches of New Brunswick Presbytery. They increased their total gifts by several hundred dollars over any preceding year. For the first time in six years and for the eighth time in this Presbytery's history it met and this year surpassed the full request of Synod.

In both these particulars Jersey City Presbytery also has been notable in recent years.

The Presbytery of West Jersey holds the splendid record of never having failed to reach her full quota, and in all but two instances surpass it, from 1888, the first full year of the fund, until now. In this particular Morris and Orange and Elizabeth Presbyteries follow West Jersey closely. Morris and Orange leads this year in the amount of money contributed by the churches, as she has always done. But in total gifts, including those of individuals, Elizabeth has recently been in the van.

In the matter of general response from the churches doubtless Monmouth holds first place. Her chairman reports: "Twenty-seven of our churches fully paid their quotas, sixteen exceeded theirs, while only five fell short. Moreover, two-thirds of all our money was in the hands of the treasurer before the first six months of the fiscal year had elapsed." In the promptness of collection and remittance Monmouth must, however, share her honors with Elizabeth.

Disbursements.—That these increased gifts have been needed is demonstrated by the fact that the Presbyteries and their committees have felt called upon to spend in the aggregate more money than ever before. The total expenditures were \$19,800.49. Of this amount \$300 was expended from the Van Meter Fund, independently, by the Presbytery of West Jersey upon their own field. The remainder, \$19,500.49, was paid out under the general directions of the Synod and its Committee. The latter sum exceeds by more than three hundred dollars (\$317.15) the amount spent last year, and payments last year in turn exceeded those of any preceding year by over \$1,500.

These increased expenditures have been made largely by the Presbyteries of Elizabeth, Morris and Orange, and New Brunswick, which have hitherto drawn comparatively little from the fund, although they have been the largest contributors to it. The bread cast upon the waters is being found after many days. The increase has also been shared by Jersey City and Newark Presbyteries. The appropriations to the Presbyteries of Newton and West Jersey have remained practically stationary, while those to Monmouth have been voluntarily reduced.

The increase has been occasioned almost entirely by the development of mission work among the people of foreign speech recently pouring

into our state, and chiefly into its already populous centers. It has been met in part by the growing contributions of the churches already noted; but it has been provided for mainly by the unexpected balance which greeted the Synod in 1903. Out of that balance, \$2,000 was then set apart as a fund for new and special work. Providentially this occurred just at the time when events thrust this foreign work afresh upon our notice.

But while it was right to pay out this money, since it was given to be spent—to do Christ's work, and not to swell a bank account—and while, by reason of this fund, no debt has been incurred, we must all face the sobering fact that for two years now *current receipts* have not met *current expenditures*. Our working balance, upon which we must depend largely for new and aggressive work, has been cut down from \$2,682.42 on October 1st, 1903, to \$1,396.65 on October 1st, 1904, and to \$1,119.65 on October 1st, 1905. We must choose, therefore—and at once—between two alternatives—*either curtail the work or increase the contributions*. The record of the past leaves no room to question what will be the choice of the Synod, the Presbyteries, the Presbyterian people of New Jersey: This splendid work must go forward; the money will be furnished.

THE RESULTS.

The Summary.—What now have been the results of this year's work? Figures can never adequately present Christian work. They may even mislead. The most vital and far-reaching results can never be tabulated. "For who among men knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of the man which is in him?" "The seed groweth secretly." But figures have a value both for what they tell and, even more, for what they indicate.

Through the aid of Synod's fund, preaching has been maintained during the past year at 110 points and by 93 ministers. In the twelve-month period (ending for some April 1st and others October 1st) nearly five hundred persons (incomplete reports give 477) were added upon profession of faith and more than two hundred by letter. The membership of these churches and missions is about 6,000. It is a significant and hopeful feature that the Sunday-school membership is one-half greater, being over 9,000. On the basis of these figures it is clearly within limits to say that for every dollar contributed at least one soul has enjoyed the ministrations of the gospel throughout the year by the aid of this fund. These churches and missions have been marked by a spirit of self-help and liberality. They have raised more than \$60,000 toward their own support and equipment. They have given more than \$6,000 to beneficence. Three have attained self-support during the year and the amount of aid to be given has been reduced in fourteen other instances.

From many interesting items in the annual reports of the several Presbyteries, the following specially noteworthy particulars have been culled:

In *Newton Presbytery* the work of Synodical Home Missions has hitherto consisted mainly, although not exclusively, in sustaining old and weak churches. Many pastors have from one to three regular appointments to preach at outlying school-houses in addition to the regular church services. Recently, just within both the northern and southern confines of the Presbytery, there have been calls to inaugurate work among the foreigners, but as yet no permanent work has been undertaken. One church reduces by one-half the amount of aid asked.

In the rural *Presbytery of Monmouth*, also, the work does not change much from year to year. A gratifying degree of prosperity has been enjoyed by the twenty-one churches and missions aided. Several have had noteworthy additions upon confession and an unusually large number either reduced indebtedness or made substantial improvements to church property. Atlantic Highlands and Delanco have assumed self-support, and six churches have reduced the amount of aid asked. By this means it has been possible for the presbytery to begin a work at South River among the Hungarians without asking additional funds from Synod.

In *Elizabeth Presbytery* seven churches and missions have been aided. At Carteret and Garwood there have been valuable improvements and increase of church property. Bethany Chapel of the Third Church had an accession of fourteen on profession of faith. Three young men have gone from it to college, of whom one is a probable candidate for the ministry. The Hungarian work at Perth Amboy has been seriously interfered with by the defection of the missionary and a large part of the congregation. These have allied themselves with the national Reformed Church of Hungary, a movement that has appeared to both the Presbytery's and Synod's Committee as, in the interests of the Hungarians themselves, both ill advised and improperly conducted. At least twenty families, comprising about one hundred persons, continue in affiliation with us and are being regularly ministered to by a Hungarian student of theology, now at Princeton Seminary. A Sunday-school particularly for the children of foreigners is carried on at Keasbey. The church of Basking Ridge has erected a chapel for Italians at Bernardsville and is maintaining a hopeful mission among them without aid from Synod.

In the *Presbytery of New Brunswick* seven churches and missions have been aided. Walnut Avenue, Trenton, had an accession of thirty-three upon confession and seven by letter and has had a great increase in attendance on church and Sunday-school. Titusville had an accession of ten. The Italian mission in Trenton, carried on by a minister and Bible-woman, who also acts as teacher, has had eleven additions during the year, and is having increased attendance and interest in consequence of three weeks' tent meetings during the summer. A lot and some funds for a church building, which is sorely needed, have been secured. The Hungarian congregation in New Brunswick has been greatly disturbed by the defection of the missionary, just referred to, and by the attempts to establish a rival congregation. But the majority have remained in connection with our church, and on last Sunday (October 15th) took

possession of an admirable church edifice of their own, secured in part by their efforts, largely reinforced by those of Rev. W. W. Knox, D.D., pastor of the First Church, New Brunswick.

In the *Presbytery of Morris and Orange* eight churches and two mission stations have been aided. Improvements to property have been made in four fields, costing over \$12,000.00. For the first time in years, if not in its whole history, this Presbytery expended its whole allotment from Synod, and found occasion also to use \$100 from Synod's Special Fund and additional money contributed personally by the Presbytery's committee. The church of Morris Plains attained self support. The mission started in the previous year among the Hungarians at Wharton has been making good progress, and a church building is about to be erected. Pending this, twenty-five Hungarians have been received into the Dover Church. Another interesting work is that among the Syrians and other foreigners at North Summit. It is carried on by the Summit Church, aided by Synod's fund. A building, called the Neighborhood House, has just been erected at a cost of over \$7,000, which furnishes accommodations for Sunday-school, clubs, classes and two resident workers. Services for adults are held Sunday evenings.

To the *Presbytery of Jersey City* aid has been given for eighteen churches and missions. The Presbytery's committee proposes active effort to bring some of the older churches to self support and to develop needy and promising new fields, which are coming to its notice. Ridgewood has had an accession of twenty-five, and has been given a new Sunday-school room and pipe organ. The German churches of Carlstadt and Passaic exhibit active missionary zeal. The Armenian Mission, of West Hoboken, has a congregation of ninety-five, a membership of twenty-two, an average attendance of fifty-five. In addition to the money given for the support of the mission, \$250 has been raised for charity work and orphans, \$950 for a church lot, and \$250 subscribed toward a building which the people are eager to secure.

The services of the Syrian Mission have been held in the basement of the West Hoboken Church. It has not yet reached in activity, attendance and stability the measure of the Armenian Mission, but warrants sympathetic oversight and help.

West Jersey Presbytery, with its twenty-seven mission points, reports a year of steady, though not startling, progress. Certain older and feeble congregations, which yet often furnish the only religious privileges to their respective communities, can make little gain, and must be permanently aided. But the new churches in growing suburbs are going forward positively and hopefully toward self support, thorough equipment and ultimate helpfulness to others. During the year Rev. Dr. R. B. Moore has erected and given to the Trustees of Presbytery a neat stone church for the use of the Italians of Vineland. In this a prosperous mission is now housed. The Presbytery also carries on work for the Italians at Hammonton and Atlantic City. The annual cost is over \$1,400, but of this only \$300 was drawn from Synod. An abandoned

church building has been reopened in Camden with encouraging attendance. Sunday-schools have been established at two points, which give promise of growing into churches. In all, new work has been started at four points, and six churches have reduced the amount of aid asked.

In *Newark Presbytery* six churches and one mission have been aided. Of these two churches are composed of English-speaking white persons, two of Germans and one each of Africans and Italians. The services of the Hungarian Mission are held in the chapel of the Third Church. Seventy communicants have been enrolled. In addition, the First Church, Newark, and the churches of Montclair are carrying on missions for the Italians. There is evidently large call in the polyglot city of Newark itself for the workers which her polyglot seminary at Bloomfield is now preparing to send out.

ADDITIONAL WORK OF PRESBYTERIES.

Following the precedent of the last two years, we make mention of the additional work of Presbyteries. In the Newark Presbytery the Church Extension Committee, for the year ending March 16th, 1905, received from the churches \$2,303.33, a decrease from the previous year. In the period since that date, up to September 28th, \$4,238.77 have been received. Of this amount the Knox Church, Kearney, and Emanuel Church, Newark, each gave \$1,000, and received in turn \$2,000 each, to be applied to their own properties. In addition to these payments, \$868.95 were paid out from the regular fund on account of interest on mortgages, insurance and other expenses, and \$13,552.50 from the Congar Legacy Fund, chiefly for the liquidation of mortgages on a number of churches.

In the Presbytery of New Brunswick the Church Extension Committee for its last year, ending in March, expended the sum of \$810.54, apart from the salary of the Italian missionary, which is borne by the Synod's fund, but passes through their treasury. The sum named was used to pay the running expenses of the Italian Mission, including salary of the woman assistant, and for payments on account of salary, mortgage and expenses of Walnut Avenue Church. In the budget for the current year aid for the same points is included; but the only payment for Walnut Avenue will be a reduced amount of interest on mortgage.

Your committee reiterates the judgment of last year, that the work of these committees is so closely allied to Synodical Home Missions (being even identical in character in certain instances) that the harmony which now exists should be developed into definite co-operation, if not amalgamation.

In this connection we note the following statement in the last report of the Church Extension Committee to Newark Presbytery. It is this: "We wish to say that it is not the business of our committee to pay the running expenses of any church or chapel that may be organized. Our business has to do with the erection of buildings and the purchase of sites, but we are glad to act as treasurer simply, when the funds" (*i. e.*,

for running expenses) "are provided from special sources. But these funds are always kept entirely distinct, in our books, from the regular contributions for church extension."

This quotation shows what perhaps needs to be more fully recognized both by the Presbytery and Synod, that Synodical Home Missions has no antagonistic rival, but is the one Presbyterian missionary agency for promoting the *preaching of the gospel* in every part of New Jersey.

In the Presbytery of Newton there is a permanent fund of about \$2,500, the interest of which is expended for mission work in that Presbytery under the direction of its Committee on Synodical Home Missions.

In the Presbytery of Morris and Orange there recently came into the hands of its S. H. M. Committee a fund of about \$2,000. Of this \$500 was granted during the past year to one congregation for a manse and \$500 to another for a chapel.

Reference has already been made in the earlier part of this report to the Van Meter fund and special gifts for Italian work in West Jersey Presbytery.

New Jersey as a Mission Field.

There exists an impression that New Jersey is a comparatively small and unimportant missionary field. But this review indicates what public statistics abundantly demonstrate. It is that New Jersey is one of the largest and most urgent mission fields in our land to-day. For missions are not to acres, but to souls, and within the narrow limits of our State a growth of population, phenomenal even for America, is now going on. The State census, recently taken, shows that the number of persons residing in New Jersey has increased more than a quarter of a million (254,097) in five years. This means an addition to our State in sixty months of a population almost equal to that of our greatest city, Newark, greater than that of the second, Jersey City, and almost as great as that of Paterson, Trenton and Camden combined. This growth has been largely through the inflow of foreigners. The latest immigration reports show that over forty thousand in that year (1904) were bound for New Jersey. While the detailed figures for the year ending June 30th, 1905, are not yet issued, it is known that the aggregate immigration is greater than ever before, and it is a fair presumption that New Jersey's share was also greater. For, while the percentage of total immigration to other Eastern States has declined in recent years, New Jersey's proportion has almost steadily increased. The major part of this new population do not understand English and have little knowledge of the Gospel. The welfare of the State, the good of our fellow-men and the will of the Master demand that all be promptly evangelized and gathered in churches.

It is believed that the foregoing report also shows that the Presbyterians of New Jersey have in their plan and organization of Synodical Home Missions an agency that is both actively and, so far, successfully doing this work.

LINES OF ADVANCE.

This past blessing of God and favor of the people give abundant assurance that the cause of Synodical Home Missions in New Jersey will continue to go forward. It is for your Committee and the Synod carefully to determine the lines and needed extent of this progress. Your Committee has at this time no new departure to suggest, but, rather, a more definite and aggressive advance along lines already followed.

At the initiation of our plan the idea of ministerial support under the form of Sustentation was prominent. Under wise regulations and careful administration this must still be regarded as fundamental. Apart from the immediate good done to the people of the communities aided, and, through removals, to our churches elsewhere, it would be short-sighted policy, except in rare instances, to sacrifice the property, influence and personnel of churches already established in a rapidly growing State. But if these weaker churches are to live, they must have a permanent and efficient ministry. If the ministers are to live and work efficiently, they must have a support. Is it too much to say that every Presbyterian pastor in New Jersey should have at least \$800.00 and a house, or its equivalent? Many of our men, some aided from Synod's fund and some not so aided, now receive less. Assuredly, the gap can be bridged by the united effort of Synod, Presbyteries and the churches themselves. It will require increased funds, but the effort will enlist the hearty sympathy of ministers who themselves enjoy a more generous provision for their needs and of the people also when properly presented. Is not the hour ripe to inaugurate in every Presbytery a movement to this end?

The second line along which advance seems called for is in mission work for our people of foreign speech. This report shows that the Presbyterians of New Jersey have made a splendid beginning, but it is, after all, only a beginning. The reports of almost every Presbytery speak of calls to engage in it. There are new fields among the nationalities for whom work has been begun. There are certain tongues in which almost no Protestant work is now being carried on. Of these, perhaps Polish is the most prominent example. There were over twenty-one thousand persons of Polish parentage in New Jersey according to the census of 1900, and nearly twenty-two thousand more came here, according to the immigration reports in the four succeeding years. The number exceeded six thousand per annum in the fiscal years 1903 and 1904. It is probably greater in 1905.

At best, the immigrants are poor. Few of them are Protestant or more than nominally Christian. As in Apostolic times, missions to many nationalities must be carried on, in the first instance, entirely at the cost of those who undertake them. It is foreign mission work on American soil at American prices. But the product, we believe, is and will be genuine Christians, and so good American citizens.

A third line for advance is in the development of special gifts, and particularly from persons of wealth. The regular amounts apportioned to the churches through the Presbyteries are needed for the regular work, and are not likely to increase rapidly. For any large aggressive work special provision must be made. In the beginning of this work a number of individuals, particularly in the Presbytery of New Brunswick, gave large sums to make up the quota of the Presbytery, and one such continues an annual gift. In the Presbytery of Elizabeth one giver has in recent years been making a special gift of \$500.00 annually, which has not been counted in the Presbytery's apportionment. More than any other one thing, this individual gift has made possible our great recent advance in work for the people of foreign speech. The occasion and call for more such gifts in New Jersey is now very great to enable us to take advantage of the great opportunities open to us. It is believed that there are other individuals of means who would duplicate such gifts if they understood more fully the situation.

MATTERS OF ADMINISTRATION.

Events of the past year and the example of, at least, one other Synod, have suggested to the Committee the propriety of becoming incorporated as the missionary agency of Synod, if this can be effected. Such action would give the Committee a recognized legal standing in connection with the bequest or devise of property, its acquirement and transfer. The Committee asks of Synod authority to incorporate, if the way be clear.

Your Committee has submitted to similar committees of other Synods a proposal to establish a conference of representatives of such committees to consider and act on matters of common interest. We ask the consent and approval of Synod that we may participate in such conferences, if arranged.

The Committee has had printed the Plan of Synodical Home Missions as now in force. A copy will be forwarded to each minister and Session. Envelopes and leaflets may be obtained by application to Rev. R. Hilliard Gage, Clerk, Wenonah, N. J.

RESOLUTIONS.

We recommend for adoption the following resolutions:

1. That the Synod gratefully recognizes the abundant and efficient services rendered, entirely without cost, to the cause of Synodical Home Missions by the Treasurer, Mr. William Paxton Stevenson.

2. That the Synod instructs the Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Missions to become incorporated, if the way be clear, and hereby authorizes it to take all necessary legal steps to this end.

3. That the Synod approves the proposal of a conference of representatives of the mission work of the self-supporting Synods, and authorizes its committee to participate in such conferences statedly, if inaugurated.

4. That the Presbyteries are hereby asked to contribute upon the basis of church membership reported in the Minutes of the General Assembly for 1905, not less than the following amounts:

From Elizabeth, at 30 cents per member,	\$3,023 40
“ Jersey City, at 26 cents per member,	2,083 12
“ Monmouth, at 26 cents per member,	1,753 70
“ Morris and Orange, at 30 cents per member,	3,221 40
“ Newark, at 27 cents per member,	3,604 50
“ New Brunswick, at 30 cents per member,	2,816 70
“ Newton, at 22 cents per member,	1,277 54
“ West Jersey, at 26 cents per member,	2,195 44
	\$19,975 80

5. That there are allotted from the general fund for use in the several Presbyteries and for administration sums not to exceed the following:

To Elizabeth,	\$1,950 00
“ Jersey City,	2,750 00
“ Monmouth,	3,500 00
“ Morris and Orange,	1,800 00
“ Newark,	1,950 00
“ New Brunswick,	2,000 00
“ Newton,	1,100 00
“ West Jersey,	4,200 00
For administration,	500 00
	\$19,750 00

6. That from the balance of last year the sum of \$800.00 is hereby set apart as the Special Fund under control of Synod's Committee, and that the attention of organizations and individuals is hereby particularly called to this Special Fund as a channel for advancing the cause of Christ as represented by Presbyterian missions in New Jersey.

SAMUEL McLANAHAN,

Chairman.

IV.—TREASURER'S REPORT—SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

To the Synod of New Jersey:

I present to you herewith my report as Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Funds for the nineteenth fiscal year, beginning October 1st, 1904, and ending September 30th, 1905.

The receipts have been as follows:

To balance according to last annual report—		
General work,		\$1,396 65
Van Meter Fund,		216 31
“ contributions from Presb. of Elizabeth,	\$2,973 98	
“ “ “ Ralph Voorhees, Elizabeth,	1,000 00	
“ “ “ Presb. of Jersey City,	2,102 78	
“ “ “ “ “ Monmouth,	1,723 29	
“ “ “ “ “ Morris & Orange,	3,208 47	
“ “ “ “ “ Newark,	2,044 32	
“ “ “ “ “ New Brunswick,	2,857 28	
“ “ “ “ “ Newton,	1,033 23	
“ “ “ “ “ West Jersey, ...	2,228 28	
“ “ “ “ “ Corisco,	5 00	
		<hr/> 19,176 63
“ interest on balance in bank,		46 86
“ Van Meter Fund, West Jersey Presbytery,		181 74
		<hr/> \$21,018 19

The disbursements to ministers and missionaries have been as follows:

In Presbytery of Elizabeth,	\$1,773 50
“ “ “ Jersey City,	2,565 00
“ “ “ Monmouth,	3,525 50
“ “ “ Morris & Orange,	1,600 00
“ “ “ Newark,	1,949 92
“ “ “ New Brunswick,	1,733 78
“ “ “ Newton,	962 50
“ “ “ West Jersey,	3,992 44
For administration expenses,	267 85
	<hr/> \$18,370 49

Out of the balance on hand October 1st, 1904, there has been expended for special work:

In Presbytery of Jersey City,	\$180 00	
“ “ “ Morris & Orange,	100 00	
“ “ “ Newark,	420 00	
“ “ “ New Brunswick,	230 00	
“ “ “ West Jersey,	200 00	
		\$1,130 00
Payment account of Van Meter Fund,	300 00	
		\$19,800 49
Balance to be carried to next year's work,	\$1,119 65	
“ to credit Van Meter Fund,	98 05	
		1,217 70
		\$21,018 19

The following schedules are annexed to and form a part of this report:

Schedule I. Showing the payments made to aid-receiving churches, the contributions received from congregations, Sabbath-schools, societies and individuals, and the total contributions received from each church.

Schedule II. Showing the total contributions received from the respective Presbyteries.

Schedule III. Showing the amounts which the various Presbyteries were asked to contribute, and the amounts received from them respectively.

Schedule IV. Showing the appropriations to the different Presbyteries, the amounts paid for services during the year, and the unused balances of appropriations which have fallen into the General Fund under the provisions of Article VI, Section 6, of the plan revised October 17th, 1900.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. STEVENSON,

Dated ROSELLE, N. J., October 10th, 1905.

Treasurer.

SCHEDULE I.

Showing the payments made to aid-receiving churches, the contributions received from congregations, Sabbath-schools, societies and individuals, and the total contributions received from each church.

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid-receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH.						
Basking Ridge,.....		\$100 00				\$100 00
Bethlehem,.....		10 00				10 00
Carteret, 1st.....	\$100 00	13 50				13 50
Clarksville (Glen Gardner),.....		14 40				14 40
Clinton,.....		75 00				75 00
Cokesbury,.....	100 00	21 90				21 90
Connecticut Farms,.....		50 00				50 00
Cranford, 1st,.....		115 50				115 50
Dunellen,.....		55 00				55 00
Elizabeth, 1st,.....		133 65				133 65
“ 2d,.....			\$250 00			250 00
“ 3d,.....		81 88	50 33			132 21
“ 1st German,.....		20 00				20 00
“ Greystone,.....		75 02				75 02
“ Madison Avenue,.....		10 61				10 61
“ Siloam,.....	210 00					
“ Westminster,.....		187 00				187 00
“ Bethany Chapel,.....	200 00	7 00				7 00
Garwood,.....	450 00	4 50				4 50
Kearney,.....	50 00					
Lamington,.....		55 80				55 80
Liberty Corner,.....		56 30				56 30
Lower Valley, Califon,.....		42 00				42 00
Maurer, German, 1st,.....		5 00				5 00
Metuchen, 1st,.....		95 00				95 00
Perth Amboy, 1st,.....		99 34	3 17			102 51
“ Hungarian,.....	486 50					
“ “.....	127 00					
Plainfield, 1st,.....		117 40				117 40
“ Crescent Avenue,.....		302 83				302 83
“ Bethel Chapel,.....		18 60				18 60
“ Hope Chapel,.....		111 70				111 70
“ Warren Chapel,.....		72 00				72 00
Pluckamin,.....		45 10				45 10
Rahway, 1st,.....		106 80				106 80
“ 2d,.....		160 00				160 00
“ 1st German,.....	50 00	10 00				10 00
Roselle,.....		79 65				79 65
Springfield,.....		60 00				60 00
Westfield,.....		200 00				200 00
Woodbridge,.....		58 00				58 00
Ralph Voorhees,.....					\$1000 00	1000 00
Totals,.....	\$1773 50	\$2670 48	\$303 50		\$1000 00	\$3973 98

SCHEDULE I—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid-receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY.						
Bayonne, Christ,		\$29 25				\$29 25
Carlstadt, German,	\$190 00	10 00				10 00
Englewood, 1st,		471 08				471 08
“ West Side,		13 51				13 51
Garfield,		2 00	\$14 35			16 35
Hackensack, 1st,		47 00				47 00
Hoboken, 1st,		11 00	3 50	\$10 00		24 50
Jersey City, 1st,		370 26				370 26
“ 2d,		64 00				64 00
“ Claremont,		77 60				77 60
“ Jno. Knox,						
“ Westminster,		90 20				90 20
“ Lafayette,	50 00	11 25				11 25
Leonia,		14 50				14 50
Norwood,	208 00	9 80				9 80
Newfoundland (Oak Ridge),	100 00	21 20				21 20
Passaic, 1st,		45 66	30 00			75 66
“ Dundee,	200 00					
“ German,	200 00	20 00				20 00
“ Grace,	200 00	11 66	10 21			21 87
Paterson, 1st,		7 00				7 00
“ 2d,		163 30				163 30
“ 3d,						
“ 1st German,		13 00				13 00
“ Broadway German,		10 00				10 00
“ Church of the Redeemer,		80 50				80 50
“ East Side,		56 00				56 00
“ Lake View,	100 00	5 00		4 00		9 00
“ Madison Avenue,		20 00				20 00
“ St. Augustine,	30 00					
“ Westminster,						
“ Albion Place,	104 00					
Ridgewood, 1st,	180 00	10 20	7 00	2 07		19 27
Rutherford, 1st,		73 87	70 00			143 87
“ Lyndhurst,	35 00					
“ Kingsland,	70 00					
“ Emanuel,	138 00	5 10				5 10
Tenafly,		32 80		5 00		37 80
West Hoboken,		110 40				110 40
“ Armenian,	260 00					
West Milford,	300 00	30 00				30 00
Wood Ridge,	200 00	5 25				5 25
Rev. Fisher Howe Booth,		4 26			\$4 26	4 26
Special Work,	180 00					
Totals,	\$2745 00	\$1942 39	\$135 06	\$21 07	\$4 26	\$2102 78

SCHEDULE I—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid-receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH.						
Allentown,		\$65 00				\$65 00
Asbury Park, 1st,		65 00				65 00
Atlantic Highlands,	\$100 00	24 00				24 00
Barnegat and Forked River,	225 00	14 40				14 40
Belmar,		6 00				6 00
Belmar,	175 00	19 20				19 20
Beverly,		81 00	\$2 00			83 00
Bordentown,		25 00				25 00
Burlington,		48 67				48 67
Columbus, 1st,		11 70				11 70
Cranbury, 1st,		117 45				117 45
" 2d,		67 80				67 80
Cream Ridge,		9 95				9 95
Delanco,	200 00	22 10				22 10
Englishtown,		23 55				23 55
Farmingdale, and Oak Glen,		32 55				32 55
" 2d,	240 00					
Freehold, 1st,		92 07				92 07
Hightstown,		58 19				58 19
Holmanville and Lakehurst,	260 00	5 72				5 72
Jacksonville and Providence,	300 00	21 60				21 60
Jacksonville and Providence,		14 70				14 70
Jamesburg,		14 05				14 05
Keypoint,	300 00	112 56				112 56
Lakewood, 1st,	150 00	12 00				12 00
" Hope,		70 00	3 52			73 52
Long Branch,		14 00				14 00
Manalapan,		29 05				29 05
Manalapan,		33 81				33 81
Manasquan,		52 00				52 00
Matawan,		57 53				57 53
Moorestown,		15 00	12 00			27 00
Mt. Holly,		36 53	20 00			56 53
New Gretna,	131 00	12 00				12 00
Oceanic,						
Perrineville,	150 00	26 00				26 00
Plattsburg,		8 00				8 00
Plumstead (New Egypt),		8 40				8 40
Point Pleasant,		32 67				32 67
Red Bank,		53 04				53 04
Riverton, Calvary,		39 04				39 04
Sayreville, German,	150 00	26 52				26 52
Shrewsbury, 1st,		38 40				38 40
South Amboy,	175 00	51 00				51 00
South River, German,	300 00	20 00				20 00
South River, Hungarian,	100 00					
Tennent,		35 90				35 90
Toms River,	117 50	40 00				40 00
Tuckerton,	220 00	17 94				17 94
West Mantoloking,	150 00	4 68				4 68
Yardville,	182 00					
Supplies,	200 00					
Totals,	\$3525 50	\$1685 77	\$37 52			\$1723 29

SCHEDULE I—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid-receiving churches	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE.						
Berkshire Valley,		\$8 10				\$8 10
Mine Hill, and Luxemburg,	\$425 00	8 40				8 40
Boonton, 1st,		4 10				4 10
Chatham,		57 05	\$11 30			68 35
Chester,		97 00				97 00
Dover Memorial,		10 09				10 09
East Orange, 1st,		117 24	50 00			167 24
" Elmwood,		285 00				285 00
" Arlington Avenue,		8 00	15 00			13 00
" Bethel,		62 50				62 50
" Brick,		87 81				87 81
Fairmount,	200 00	200 00				200 00
Flanders,		16 00				16 00
German Valley,		13 00				13 00
Hanover,		7 00				7 00
Madison,		80 00				80 00
Mendham,		149 25				149 25
Morris Plains,		75 00				75 00
Morristown, 1st,	100 00	18 48				18 48
" South Street,		275 00				275 00
Mt. Freedom,		258 75				258 75
Mt. Olive,	150 00	10 00				10 00
Myersville, German,		18 00				18 00
New Providence,		5 00				5 00
New Vernon,		15 40				15 40
Orange, 1st,		20 25				20 25
" Central,		233 00				233 00
" German, 1st,		300 00				300 00
" Hillside,		10 00	7 00			17 00
" St. Cloud,		132 90				132 90
Orange Valley, German,		50 00				50 00
Parsippany,		10 00				10 00
Pleasantdale, German,		7 62				7 62
Pleasant Grove,		5 00				5 00
Rockaway,		10 00				10 00
Schooley's Mountain,		46 75				46 75
South Orange, 1st,		15 00				15 00
" Trinity,		115 00				115 00
Stirling,	150 00	55 15				55 15
Succasunna,		10 00				10 00
Summit, Central,		34 00				34 00
" North Chapel,	200 00	164 33				164 33
Whippany,		7 00				7 00
Wyoming,						
Vailsburg,	100 00	13 00				13 00
Wharton, Hungarian,	275 00					
Special Work,	100 00					
Totals,	\$1700 00	\$3125 17	\$83 30			\$3208 47

SCHEDULE I—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid-receiving churches	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK.						
Arlington,		\$4 90				\$4 90
Bloomfield, 1st,		255 00				255 00
“ German,						
“ Westminster,		150 00				150 00
Caldwell, 1st,		25 00				25 00
Kearney, Knox,						
Montclair, 1st,		89 27				89 27
“ Grace,		9 15				9 15
“ Trinity,		70 00				70 00
Newark, 1st,		350 00				350 00
“ 2d,		156 25				156 25
“ 3d,		235 00				235 00
“ 6th,		8 70				8 70
“ Elizabeth Avenue,		20 00				20 00
“ German, 1st,						
“ “ 2d,						
“ “ 3d,		20 00				20 00
“ Italian, 1st,	799 92	60 00				60 00
“ Bethany,		5 00				5 00
“ Calvary,		11 00				11 00
“ Central,		10 00				10 00
“ Fewsmith Memorial,		25 00				25 00
“ Fifth Avenue,		17 50				17 50
“ Forest Hill,		35 60				35 60
“ High Street,		91 33	44 81			136 14
“ Immanuel German,	200 00	18 00				18 00
“ Manhattan Park,	300 00	15 00				15 00
“ Memorial,		14 35				14 35
“ Park,						
“ Plane Street,	200 00					
“ Roseville,		250 00				250 00
“ South Park,		38 85				38 85
“ Wickliffe,		8 36				8 36
“ West,	250 00					
Roseland,		6 25				6 25
Verona,	200 00					
Special Work,	420 00					
Totals,	\$2369 92	\$1999 51	\$44 81			\$2044 32
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.						
Bound Brook,		\$80 00				\$80 00
Dayton,		60 00				60 00
Dutch Neck,		60 00				60 00
Ewing,		18 00				18 00
Flemington,		160 00				160 00
Frenchtown,		40 00				40 00
Hamilton Square,		80 00				80 00
Holland,		5 00				5 00
Hopewell,		39 00				39 00
Kingston,		46 00		\$ 00		48 00
Kingwood,	\$25 00	6 00				6 00
Lambertville,		150 00				150 00
Lawrenceville,		80 00				80 00
Milford,		102 00				102 00

SCHEDULE I—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK—(Con.)						
Mt. Airy, Amwell, 2d,.....		\$4 00				\$4 00
Mt. Pleasant, Alexandria, 1st,.....		15 00		\$5 00		20 00
New Brunswick, 1st,.....		160 00				160 00
“ “ 2d,.....		6 00				6 00
“ “ Hungarian, 1st,.....	\$300 00	1 00				1 00
Pennington,		85 13				85 13
Princeton, 1st,		284 36				284 36
“ “ 2d,		19 05	\$5 00	3 00		27 05
“ “ Witherspoon Street,	135 78	16 00				16 00
“ “ Italian,	8 00					
Reaville, Amwell, 1st,.....		5 00				5 00
Ringoes, Amwell United, 1st,.....		5 00				5 00
“ “ Kirkpatrick Memorial,		20 50	1 67			22 17
Stockton,	150 00	22 50				22 50
Titusville,	75 00	16 45				16 45
Trenton, 1st,		336 83	38 80			375 63
“ “ 2d,		16 21	13 08	5 43		34 72
“ “ 3d,		131 40	70 00			201 40
“ “ 4th,		101 00		3 00		104 00
“ “ 5th,		10 00				10 00
“ “ Bethany,		49 87				49 87
“ “ East Trenton,		15 00		12 00		27 00
“ “ Prospect Street,		250 00		3 00		253 00
“ “ Brookville,			14 00			14 00
“ “ Walnut Avenue,	200 00	7 22	12 78			20 00
“ “ Italian	840 00	15 00				15 00
Mrs. Caleb S. Green,.....					\$150 00	150 00
Special Work,	230 00					
Totals,.....	\$1963 78	\$2518 52	\$155 33	\$33 43	\$150 00	\$2857 28
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON.						
Andover,		\$3 00				\$3 00
Asbury,		10 00				10 00
Beattystown and 2d Mansfield,	\$150 00	8 00				8 00
Beemerville,		10 00				10 00
Belvidere, 1st,		16 00				16 00
“ “ 2d,		58 00				58 00
“ “		10 00				10 00
Blairstown,		99 05	\$26 39			125 44
Bloomsbury,		20 00				20 00
Branchville,		16 00				16 00
Danville,	83 33	20 00				20 00
Deckertown,		35 00				35 00
Delaware,						
Franklin Furnace,		15 00				15 00
Greenwich,		20 00				20 00
Hackettstown,		125 00				125 00
Hamburg,		15 00				15 00
Harmony,		11 00				11 00
Knowlton,						
Lafayette,	175 00	19 00				19 00
Marksboro,		30 00				30 00
Musconetcong Valley,						

SCHEDULE I—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid-receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRES. OF NEWTON—(Con.)						
Newton, 1st,		\$150 00				\$150 00
North Hardyston,		9 00				9 00
Oxford, 1st,		24 00				24 00
" 2d,		3 03				3 03
Phillipsburg, 1st,		12 00		\$8 00		20 00
" Westminster,		10 00	\$8 27			18 27
Sparta,		25 00				25 00
Stanhope,	\$154 17	14 00				14 00
Stewartville,		43 75				43 75
Stillwater,	200 00	11 54				11 54
Wantage, 1st,		8 00				8 00
Washington,		125 00				125 00
Yellow Frame,	200 00	15 20				15 20
Totals,	\$962 50	\$990 57	\$34 66	\$8 00		\$1033 23
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY.						
Absecon and Leeds Point,	\$80 00	\$10 00				\$10 00
Atco,	180 00	5 00				5 00
Atlantic City, 1st,		14 04				14 04
" German,		67 70	\$40 00			107 70
" Olivet,		3 00				3 00
" Chelsea,	200 00	45 50				45 50
" Westminster,	150 00	12 25				12 25
Audubon, Logan Memorial,	120 00	20 00		\$4 00		24 00
Berlin,		18 26				18 26
Billingsport, and Swedesboro,	100 00	6 00				6 00
Blackwood, 1st,		10 65				10 65
Bridgeton, 1st,		19 00				19 00
" 2d,		35 60	6 00			41 60
" 4th,		110 00	10 00			120 00
" Irving Avenue,	200 00	125 70				125 70
" West,		13 00				13 00
Bunker Hill, and Glassboro,	190 00	15 60	10 00			15 60
Camden, 1st,		63 62				73 62
" 2d,		10 80				10 80
" Calvary,		10 92				10 92
" Woodland Avenue,	200 00	142 22				142 22
" Liberty Park,	295 00	110 00	10 00			120 00
" Grace,		30 00				30 00
Cape May City,		7 28				7 28
Cedarville, 1st,		8 10				8 10
" Osborn Memorial,		34 32				34 32
Clayton,		40 20	66 45			106 65
Cold Spring,		35 70				35 70
Collingswood,	250 00	20 00				20 00
Daretown, Pittsgrove,		30 00	15 00	5 00		50 00
Deerfield,		23 00				23 00
		15 00				15 00
		45 06				45 06
		54 60				54 60

SCHEDULE I—(Continued).

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid-receiving churches.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESEYTERY OF WEST JERSEY—(Con.)						
Elmer,		\$25 00				\$25 00
Elwood, Brainerd,	\$250 00	19 56				19 56
Fairfield, Fairton,		5 00				5 00
Gloucester City,		45 24				45 24
Green Creek and Holly Beach,	214 00	15 86				45 24
Greenwich,		25 00				25 00
Haddonfield, 1st,		124 89				124 89
Haddon Heights,	97 50	13 00				13 00
Hammonton, 1st,		10 00				10 00
" Italian,		5 00				5 00
Janvier,		7 00				7 00
Jericho,	150 00	12 21				12 21
Laurel Springs, St. Paul's,	250 00	12 00				12 00
Mays Landing,		25 00				25 00
Merchantville,		40 00				40 00
Millville,		75 00				75 00
Ocean City, 1st,		30 00				30 00
Pleasantville,						
Salem, 1st,		65 03	\$19 50	\$15 00		99 53
Tuckahoe,		7 00				7 00
Vineland,		18 00				18 00
" Italian,	100 00					
Waterford,						
Wenonah, Memorial,		66 42	20 00	10 00		96 42
Williamstown,		35 00				35 00
Woodbury,		55 00	10 00	10 00		75 00
Woodstown,		19 00				19 00
Supplies,	650 00					
Presbyterial Missionary,	315 94					
Special Work,	200 00					
Rev. William Aikman, D. D.,					\$10 00	10 00
Totals,	\$4192 44	\$1967 33	\$206 95	\$44 00	\$10 00	\$2228 28

SCHEDULE 2.

Being a summary of columns 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Schedule 1.

PRESBYTERIES.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions.
Elizabeth,	\$2,670 48	\$253 17	\$50 33	\$1,000 00	\$3,973 98
Jersey City,	1,942 39	135 06	21 07	4 26	2,102 78
Monmouth,	1,685 77	37 52	.....	.....	1,723 29
Morris & Orange, ..	3,125 17	83 30	.....	.....	3,208 47
Newark,	1,999 51	44 81	.....	.....	2,044 32
New Brunswick,....	2,518 52	155 33	33 43	150 00	2,857 28
Newton,	990 57	34 66	8 00	.....	1,033 23
West Jersey,.....	1,967 33	206 95	44 00	10 00	2,228 28
Crisco,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals,.....	\$16,904 74	\$950 80	\$156 83	\$1,164 26	\$19,176 63

SCHEDULE 3.

Showing the amounts which the respective Presbyteries were asked to contribute, the amounts received, and the excess or deficiency.

PRESBYTERIES.	Amounts asked for.	Amounts received.	Excess.	Deficiency.
Elizabeth,	\$2,934 00	\$2,973 98	\$39 98	.....
Jersey City,	2,069 34	2,102 78	33 44	.....
Monmouth,	*1,730 04	1,723 29	.....	\$6 75
Morris and Orange,	3,195 90	3,208 47	12 57	.....
Newark,	3,490 83	2,044 32	.....	1,446 51
New Brunswick,	2,822 40	2,857 28	34 88	.....
Newton,	1,270 50	1,033 23	.....	237 27
West Jersey,	*1,918 52	2,228 28	309 76	.....
Crisco, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	*\$19,431 53	\$18,171 63	\$430 63	\$1,690 53
	18,171 63	.....	.....	430 63
	\$1,259 90	.....	.....	\$1,259 90

* Amount stated in Minutes of Synod, October, 1904.

** In Minutes of Synod, 1904, from which the Treasurer takes his figures, the amount asked for from the Presbytery of Monmouth should have been printed \$1,704.04, and from the Presbytery of West Jersey, \$2,158.52. Thus, in fact, the Presbytery of Monmouth gave, during the present year, \$10.25 in excess of its quota, and the Presbytery of West Jersey \$69.76 in excess of its quota.

SCHEDULE 4.

Showing the appropriations to the respective Presbyteries, the amounts paid for services therein, and the unused balances.

PRESBYTERIES.	Appropriations.	Amounts Paid.	Unused Balances.
Elizabeth,	\$1,900 00	\$1,773 50	\$126 50
Jersey City,	2,600 00	2,565 00	35 00
Monmouth,	3,600 00	3,525 50	74 50
Morris and Orange,	1,600 00	1,600 00	.....
Newark,	1,950 00	1,949 92	08
New Brunswick,	1,900 00	1,733 78	166 22
Newton,	1,100 00	962 50	137 50
West Jersey,	4,000 00	3,992 44	7 56
Administration,	500 00	267 85	232 15
	\$19,150 00	\$18,370 49	\$779 51
	18,370 49		
	\$779 51		

V.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee beg to report that an examination of the report of the Board of Home Missions shows a very gratifying increase in gifts alike to Evangelization and Mission Schools over that of last year. During 1903-1904 the churches contributed for Evangelization \$484,122.91. The amount contributed this year is \$499,734.34, being an increase of \$15,611.43. A still larger increase is shown in the contributions for Mission Schools. Last year it was \$336,483.29. This year \$367,282.36, showing the handsome increase of \$30,799.07.

The churches within the bounds of the Synod have fallen nearly \$1,000 behind last year's gifts for Evangelization, while the gifts for Mission Schools have increased over \$4,000. For Evangelization the amount for last year was \$35,000; for this year it is \$34,074, being a decrease of \$926. For Mission Schools the amount for last year was \$22,800; for this year it is \$27,000, being an increase of \$4,200. The contributions for both departments of Home Mission Work from our churches for this year have increased \$3,276.

It is gratifying to be able to report an increase. It is the promise of greater progress in the future. The work is ever enlarging. There is yet much ground to be covered, and, with the constantly enlarging field the call to greater liberality becomes louder and louder.

Never before in all the history of our country, which is most unquestionably the history of progress, have there come to us such problems, such opportunities, such privileges.

The material wealth of the country is increasing at a phenomenal rate. On every hand the smile of Providence has blessed us. There can no longer be any question of our ability. We have become a great nation, we are a wealthy nation, and the Church shares in this greatness and material prosperity.

There should come home to us the consciousness that we *can* do a larger and better work.

And surely, accompanying this ability, there comes home to us the obligation, the opportunity. Surely, ability always imposes obligation. From all over the country comes the Macedonian cry: "Come and help us." In many and strange tongues it comes—in tongues once deemed foreign and from far off shores it comes. The Pentecostal cry—in tongues more diverse and strange than at first is heard among us, within the borders of our own land—"Men and brethren, what must I do to be saved?"

And surely, in that cry of a needy and a fallen world the Church recognizes her obligation. *She ought.*

And may we not lift up our eyes and look for the day when she may be guided to say *I shall?*

The Home Mission Board has struggled nobly and with no small measure of success to fulfill the Church's obligation. With splendid courage and changeless faith this Board, while meeting to the full measure of its power the immediate needs, has always kept its eye on the "regions beyond." It has undertaken great things. It has hoped greater things and it has done great things. Through one of its Secretaries it sends this message to the Church: "Upon America's broad and ever-broadening shoulders rests the largest responsibility of carrying the Gospel to the lands that lie in darkness. With all our material prosperity there never was a time when America's need was greater."

No, the voice of America's need was never louder than to-day. Self-preservation calls aloud and conspicuously at our door—the door of this great historic Presbyterian Church. Patriotism calls to us. The priceless privilege of our freedom, the dearly-bought heritage that is ours call to us, and, louder than all, the cry of a Redeemer's changeless love comes to us.

The fields are white to the harvest, the great Lord of the harvest is near. This great Church may become the National Church—the comprehensive Church in the comprehension and fulfilment of this work. The open Book, the Redeeming Grace, the Atoning Blood can alone save this country and redeem its masses. We have the equipment of power—all the power we can use, and it is the invaluable mission of our Church to do this work.

The Board comes asking us to put the power in its hands. It is not enough to "hold our own" without increase. The enlarging opportunity increases our burden and our blessing.

The Board asks \$40,000 for new work. In the words of one of its Secretaries it says:

"This is the advance step taken in faith by the Board of Home Missions. Missionary extension, not retrenchment, is our policy. I rejoice in it; so do you. Let's help and pull together now."

May we not pray that God will make this duty very plain to us now in these days of evangelistic effort, and so secure to us the greater blessing in our work of blessing others?

God has been very gracious to us. He has laid the great burden of souls upon our hearts. It is the glory of our religion—and the Church has not been unmindful of it—that it yearns for the redemption of man, and has an unbounded confidence in the power of the Atonement. Let there be a greater anxiety for the great work and a keener activity in doing it.

Your Committee beg leave to offer the following recommendations:

1. That Synod record its high appreciation of the work of the woman's societies and acknowledge its debt to those women "who labor much in the gospel," for their untiring, consecrated and ever-increasing services to the great work of Home Missions.

2. That Synod express its confidence in the Board of Home Missions and rejoice with it in the year ended free of debt, in the wisdom and efficiency of its executive officers, in the faithful, earnest work of its missionaries, in its purpose for new work, and pledge its hearty co-operation and support to this work.

3. That Synod recommend the use of the Board's monthly literature to the pastors and churches, and that special and definite arrangements be made to interest the Young People's Societies and Sabbath-schools in the work of the Board.

A. F. GORDON MACKAY,

Chairman.

VI.—THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR HOME MISSIONS
IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

In order to appreciate the importance and the results of organized mission work, it is necessary to have reports, that we may by comparison from year to year be stimulated by our successes and enlightened by our failures.

The reports from the several Presbyteries for the past year note progress along some line of work. The increase in membership, auxiliaries and financial support has been steady. There is encouragement in the fact that more interest has been displayed in organization; four auxiliaries have been added to the list during the past year. Morris and Orange Presbytery report two. Monmouth Presbytery two, with the fact that there is now a home missionary society in every self-supporting church in that Presbytery. A deeper spiritual interest, more fervent prayer at the monthly meetings, a more comprehensive knowledge of the mission field are indicated throughout the Presbyteries.

Immediately after the last annual meeting the attention of the auxiliaries was called to the "Building Fund" for the girls' dormitories at the New Jersey Academy, Logan, Utah. An appeal was made for \$6,000. At the close of the fiscal year, March, 1905, \$2,337.18 had been paid in.

We earnestly desire to raise the full amount early in the coming year. The workers may need courage, persistence and faith, but all good work is accomplished through the possession of these virtues. The situation in Utah and facts regarding the academy at Logan were ably presented by Miss Hughes, who made an itinerary through the Synod during the past year.

The Presbyteries responded enthusiastically to the appeal to furnish a room in the Mary E. James School, at Santa Fe, to be named in honor of our President, Mrs. Honeyman. We can assure her this was an appreciated privilege, and we beg she will accept it as a token of our esteem.

The working force of the Synodical Society is made up of 8 Presbyterian Societies, 216 Women's Auxiliaries, with a membership of over 10,000, 251 Christian Endeavor Societies, 114 Junior Christian Endeavor Societies, 87 Bands, enrolling 14,000 young people, and 63 contributing Sunday-schools.

The total amount paid to the Woman's Board of Home Missions during the year, dating from March, 1904, to March, 1905, is \$29,437.96. Of this total

Asheville Farm School received	\$625.25
Good Will Mission received	500.00
Scholarships at Logan received	424.79
Alaska received	469.84
Girls' Dormitories at Logan received	2,337.18
For Freedmen received	2,018.37

This is an increase in contributions of \$1,134, which comes through the women's societies and bands.

FINANCIAL REPORT ACCORDING TO PRESBYTERIES.

	<i>Home Missions.</i>	<i>Money Expended on Boxes.</i>
Elizabeth	\$6,258.98	\$651.32
Jersey City	2,361.97	670.78
Monmouth	2,121.42	775.34
Morris and Orange	6,237.62	3,043.05
Newark	3,161.50	1,207.96
New Brunswick	2,266.23	545.88
Newton	1,447.18	369.61
West Jersey	1,515.66	233.76

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

All figures are more or less approximate in such a report as this, owing to the difficulty of gathering them from the various Presbyterian officers, but they are so nearly correct as to measure with sufficient accuracy the latent possibilities of the work among the young people of the Synod of New Jersey.

So nearly as we can estimate, there are 251 Presbyterian C. E. Societies in this Synod, with a membership of 8,636; there are also 114 Junior C. E. Societies, with an estimated membership of 3,237, and 87 Bands, with 2,262 members; or, there are 452 young people's organizations in our Presbyterian churches, enrolling 14,000 young people. What wondrous possibilities of good lie therein! But is this fruitful field being watched and garnered? It sometimes seems not, for our secretaries report that they are discouraged, first, because the societies—especially the Endeavor organizations—are more uninterested and less wide awake than formerly; second, because so often they do not know denominational mission work, and so are open to the pleas of any one who approaches them; third, because of the appalling lack of home mission libraries and home mission study classes in these organizations, but 13 of the former and 15 of the latter being reported in the whole State. The active, continuous and enthusiastic work of pastors alone can remedy these defects.

The church periodicals, which set forth its mission work, are practically unknown to the young people, though one cent a week would be sufficient to pay an annual subscription.

LITERATURE.

The eight Presbyteries all have an efficient literature secretary. There are 190 auxiliary literature secretaries in the Synod.

The sales of literature at Presbyterian meetings have increased most satisfactorily.

The Prayer Calendars have been more widely distributed.

2,256 copies of the H. M. M. are taken.

1,339 copies of O. S. and L. This is an increase of 169 over last year. Study classes are forming slowly.

FREEDMEN'S WORK.

The contribution to Freedmen's Work for the past year is \$1,993.35. The object, Harbison College.

Reports come from all Presbyteries, although not reaching the amount raised last year, interest has increased amongst the Young People's Societies and Sabbath-schools.

Presbytery of Newton reports a school in Chattanooga, Tenn., adopted by it and named the Newton School. In addition to its regular apportionment, raised \$123.21 towards its support.

Four Presbyteries report increases over last year. Valuation of boxes \$521.00, sent from three Presbyteries. All Presbyteries use the literature sent out by the Board.

There are 205 Home Missionary Societies in the Synod of New Jersey. Of the number 131 contribute to Freedmen.

May we not look to the 34 societies not heard from to raise the \$300 asked for this year—additional.

As the years come and go do we realize this wondrous mission age with its great responsibility and the still greater responsibility that must come as the need of the work increases.

Women are acknowledged to-day as a great power in the world, along many lines of work. Let us see to it that this power is turned into the channel that shall make for the establishing of Christ's Kingdom.

Much would be done toward solving missionary problems if every woman used her power intelligently and with discretion, remembering that there are "diversities of gifts to be brought to the treasury." "There are diversities of workings but the same God who worketh all things in all. For to one is given, through the Spirit, the word of wisdom, and to another the word of knowledge, according to the same Spirit, to another faith, in the same Spirit, but all these worketh the one and the same Spirit, dividing to each one severally even as he will."

MRS. E. C. MILES,
Corresponding Secretary.

VII.—TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR HOME MIS-
SIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The twenty-eighth annual meeting of the Woman's Society for Home Missions in the Synod of New Jersey, held in the First Presbyterian Church of Jersey City, was called to order at 9:30 A.M., October 12th, 1905, the President, Mrs. W. E. Honeyman, in the chair.

After devotional services and a responsive Scripture reading, the business of the day was opened by the report of the Treasurer of the Contingent Fund, Mrs. J. H. Manning, showing a balance on hand of \$32.04. This report was accepted.

The report of the Secretary for Freedmen's Work was presented by Mrs. David Harvey, and was, on motion, accepted.

The President appointed the following committees: On Nominations, Miss Katharine Storrs, chairman; on Place of Next Meeting, Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing, chairman; on Resolutions, Mrs. J. A. Frazer, chairman.

The report of Young People's Work was given by the Secretary, Mrs. M. Katharine Jones Bennett, and showed the number of Societies reported to be 452, and the amounts contributed to be \$5,510, an increase of \$102. Mrs. Bennett urged the co-operation of all the Presbyterian officers with the work of the Young People's Secretary and with the work of the Young People's Societies in their Presbyteries. This report was, on motion, accepted.

The report of the Secretary of Literature, Mrs. William Nelson, was given, showing 190 Secretaries of Literature appointed and at work in the 209 organizations reported. An encouraging increase, 129, is found in subscriptions to the Home Mission Monthly, and of 224 in subscriptions to "Over Sea and Land." This report was accepted.

The report of the year's work in the Auxiliaries was given by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. C. Miles. This report was, on motion, accepted, and directed to be sent, with the minutes of this meeting, to the Synod of New Jersey.

The President, Mrs. Honeyman, spoke on "Looking Forward," and noted that, including two special gifts, one of \$3,000 and one of \$3,500, the receipts of the last year amounted to \$32,437. Mrs. Honeyman asked for the same contributions as last year to the Asheville Farm School, to the work in Alaska, to Good Will Mission, South Dakota, and for the scholarships in Logan, Utah; and urged as new advance work an increase of \$500 for the work for Freedmen, salaries of teachers at Harbison College, Abbeville, S. C., and the completion of the \$6,000 needed for a new building for the Girls' School at Logan, Utah.

Mrs. Honeyman emphasized the recommendation of the General Assembly that the cause of Home Missions be presented to the Sabbath-schools on November 30th, and that an offering be taken on that day for the Hospital at San Juan, Porto Rico.

Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing, of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange, spoke of the methods used in that Presbytery in securing funds for the building at Logan.

The Presbyteries of Jersey City, of Monmouth and of Elizabeth reported the amounts asked from their Presbyteries for this building as almost complete.

Mr. Hans Peter Freece, speaking on the topic "My Life in Utah," gave a graphic picture of some of the evils of Mormonism and of the benefits to the youth of Mormon communities of the schools of the Home Mission Board.

Dr. Cleland B. McAfee, of the Lafayette Avenue Church, Brooklyn, gave an inspiring address.

The offering amounted to \$27.07.

Mrs. D. E. Finks led in prayer.

Mrs. William P. Stevenson was called to the chair. The report of the Nominating Committee was read by Miss Storrs, the chairman, and resulted in the election of officers as follows:

President—MRS W. E. HONEYMAN, Plainfield.

Vice-Presidents—MRS. J. H. OWENS, Paterson.

MRS. G. W. B. CUSHING, East Orange.

MRS. J. R. GIBSON, Newark.

MRS. D. C. BLAIR, Belvidere.

MRS. S. B. KETCHAM, Pennington.

MRS. H. D. ZANDT, Jamesburg.

MRS. M. J. PAULDING, Daretown.

MRS. A. S. CRANE, Elizabeth.

Corresponding Secretary—MRS. E. C. MILES, Roselle.

Recording Secretary—MISS E. D. PAXTON, Princeton.

Secretary of Literature—MRS. WILBUR I. A. ROE, Perth Amboy.

Secretary of Young People's Work—MISS MARY M. HARDING,
35 East avenue, Bridgeton.

Secretary for Freedmen—MRS. DAVID HARVEY, Asbury Park.

Treasurer of Contingent Fund—MRS. J. H. MANNING, Plainfield.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEES.

PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH.

Mrs. J. F. Pingry, Elizabeth.

Mrs. E. C. Miles, Roselle.

Mrs. E. B. Cobb, Elizabeth.

Mrs. J. M. McNulty, Woodbridge.

Mrs. W. E. Honeyman, Plainfield.

Miss M. Josephine Petrie, Plainfield.

Miss M. J. Peck, Elizabeth.

PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY.

Miss L. C. Pudney, Passaic.
Mrs. Charles D. Shaw, Paterson.
Mrs. William Nichols, Jersey City.
Mrs. Alexander Campbell, Jersey City.
Mrs. William Nelson, Paterson.

PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH.

Mrs. L. R. Somers, Burlington.
Mrs. David Kirkpatrick, Jamesburg.
Mrs. J. N. Husted, Freehold.

PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE.

Mrs. Robert Aikman, Madison.
Mrs. J. B. Beaumont, Morristown.
Mrs. Albert Erdman, Morristown.
Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing, East Orange.
Mrs. Richard Allen, Chatham.

PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK.

Mrs. James R. Gibson, Newark.
Mrs. Paul Babcock, Montclair.
Mrs. J. P. Jones, Bloomfield.
Mrs. Isaac Marshall, Newark.
Mrs. John Maxwell, Montclair.

PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Mrs. S. B. Ketcham, Pennington.
Mrs. Charles Brearley, Trenton.
Mrs. Elmer E. Green, Trenton.
Miss Margaret Sloan, Trenton.
Miss E. D. Paxton, Princeton.

PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON.

Miss Isabel Stewart, Washington.
Miss Frances McMurtrie, Newton.
Mrs. William Morrow, Belvidere.
Mrs. William Thomson, Stewartsville.

PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY.

Mrs. M. J. Paulding, Daretown.

Mrs. John M. Moore, Clayton.

Miss S. M. Sheppard, Greenwich.

Miss Alice Richman, Daretown.

The Nominating Committee presented also the following, which was unanimously adopted:

"With great regret the Committee on Nominations received the resignation of two officers, who have served this Synod so long and so efficiently, Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Bennett. We deeply appreciate their long and faithful services and feel sure of their continued interest in the work of this Society."

Miss Allen spoke of the magazine for children, "Over Sea and Land," and Mrs. Finks of the Home Mission Monthly.

The minutes of the meeting were read by the Secretary and were approved.

The number in attendance at this meeting was about 200.

ELIZABETH D. PAXTON,
Recording Secretary.

VIII.—REPORT OF PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Board received from the churches, Woman's Societies, Young People's Societies and Sunday-schools of this Synod during the year which closed May 1st, 1905, the sum of \$82,033. The preceding year the Board received from the same sources the sum of \$81,713. There is a gain this year of \$320 over last year.

While this advance is small, there is reason to believe that but few, if, indeed, any, churches wholly neglect this cause, and that in many of our churches there is a constantly increasing interest. Your Committee know that in all the Presbyteries much thought is given to this subject; new plans are being worked out and set in motion from year to year, and efforts are being made in various ways to reach all the people in our churches, and secure from them, at least, an annual contribution.

From the marked uniformity of the gifts from year to year in the different Presbyteries it is evident that the people are putting into practice, to a considerable extent, the Scriptural rule of giving systematically. That many of the people do give according to a definite plan is clearly seen in the contributions of those churches that are known to be specially interested in Foreign Missions, and in which there is but little variation in their gifts from year to year. We are glad to believe that the old hap-hazard method of giving spasmodically; of giving only once a year, or of giving in response to an eloquent appeal from a secretary of the Board, or from a returned missionary, is gradually dying out, and that in place of it there is coming the new, and yet old, plan, because it is the Scriptural plan, of giving according to a system—the only plan which will fill the treasury of the Board and make the giver rich in Scriptural blessing.

Turning to the minutes of the General Assembly, we find that the contributions to this Board for the past year were \$102,769. There is a difference, therefore, between the amount which the Board received and the amount reported to the General Assembly of \$20,736. That is to say, \$20,736 given by our churches to Foreign Missions the past year did not go through the hands of the Treasurer. A part of this sum, doubtless, went to work not connected with our Board. The most of it, however, was given by individuals to the work of our own Board, but not through the church of which they are members, and if all the churches had included in their total gifts to Foreign Missions the amounts contributed by individuals, who, for one cause or another, preferred to send them direct to the Board as individual gifts, the difference between the report of the Board and the Assembly's report would be considerably larger than it is. If we take the gifts of this

Synod to this cause reported to the Assembly of 1904 and compare them with those of this year we find a gain of \$8,675. And \$102,769, not to say anything of gifts which went out of this Synod but are nowhere reported, save as miscellaneous gifts, is a large sum for the little Synod of New Jersey to give in one year to Foreign Missions. And yet, large as it is, generous as are many of our churches, it is safe to say that we have not nearly risen to the height of our privilege, our ability and our obligation. For while the churches of this Synod were giving \$102,769 to Foreign Missions they were spending on themselves \$1,127,745. If the expenditure of money is any evidence of the interest taken in ourselves and the heathen, then we think a vast deal more of ourselves than we do of them. But the great commandment says that we are to love our neighbor as ourselves, and if we did we would be spending as much money on him as we spend on ourselves. In short, if our interest in this evangelization of the heathen were what it ought to be we would show it by a more equal distribution of our money between them and ourselves. What, now, should be done to increase the interest of our churches in the work of this Board and secure larger contributions?

There should be more thorough and more specific work done in the churches in the interests of this Board. Not only should the cause, in all its ever-increasing greatness and attractiveness, be kept before the churches as churches by means of sermons, missionary addresses and missionary literature, but more attention should be given to methods of operation that all the people, young and old, in all the departments of the Church may be reached. Pastors should co-operate with Presbyterial and Synodical Committees and with the Secretaries of the Board, in order that they may put into operation in their churches the best possible plans for bringing to pass the best and largest results.

The field over which our Church is scattered in this country has been divided into three sections. There is the Eastern section, stretching from the Atlantic ocean to the western boundary of Ohio, and including Kentucky and Tennessee, of which Mr. David McConaughy, as an Assistant Secretary of the Board, with headquarters in New York, is in charge. There is the Central section, stretching from Indiana to the western boundary of Colorado, of which Rev. Charles E. Bradt, D.D., an Assistant Secretary, with headquarters in Chicago, is in charge. There is the Western section, stretching from Wyoming to the Pacific coast, of which an Assistant Secretary yet to be appointed, with headquarters in San Francisco, is to be in charge. The work of the Board in its Home Department, such as perfecting the organization of Synodical and Presbyterial Committees and leading them out into new lines of effort; conducting missionary campaigns in conjunction with Presbyterial Committees and pastors; bringing churches up to a fuller measure of their responsibility in the widening opportunities of the Board by means of a

special partnership in some one of its agencies for world-wide evangelization is under the supervision of these Assistant Secretaries. Mr. McConaughy is ready to respond to the calls of Presbyteries and of pastors, as he has opportunity to co-operate with them in their desire and effort to bring about a forward movement in the work of the Board. He has been remarkably successful during the brief time that he has acted as the representative of the Board in securing from churches the support of individual missionaries, so that now the great majority of our missionaries are provided for, either by individuals or by churches. But good as the plan of the support of missionaries by individuals and by churches is, and fruitful in blessing as it has been to the individuals and to the churches that have adopted it, yet Mr. McConaughy is prepared to show us a more excellent way. It is the plan of undertaking the support of a parish in the foreign field, or a part of a parish. By this plan churches that cannot bear the annual expense of a missionary's salary are enabled to have a real part in the work, not only of one missionary, but of several missionaries; and, instead of hearing from one missionary, they have the privilege of hearing from all the missionaries in the parish, towards the support of which they contribute. The parish plan has decided advantages over the plan of individual support and will be a great stimulus to any church adopting it in the deepening and broadening of missionary interest and activity.

An Assistant Secretary to have charge of the work in the Sunday-schools has been elected. He is needed to guide the Sunday-schools in their efforts to become missionary schools; to saturate the children and young people with missionary intelligence, and with the spirit of missions. In some of the schools of our churches a good work is going on now in the interests of Foreign Missions. They have a Missionary Committee, who are giving much earnest thought to the best means of educating the school in missions. Fifteen or twenty minutes once a month are spent in carrying out a carefully-prepared program upon some phase of missions, or, perhaps, dealing exclusively with some missionary hero or heroine. Once or twice a year, on a Review Sunday, the whole lesson period is given up to a study in missions.

Your Committee feel that no more fruitful field for missionary cultivation can be found than the Sunday-school. If the young people are made intelligent upon this subject they will be apt to grow up earnest advocates of it. A missionary Sunday-school has much to do with making a missionary church.

Individuals of large means should not be overlooked in the cultivation of the field of the Church. When Dr. Halsey was returning from his visit to Africa he stopped in Europe to see Miss Margaret McLean, of Scotland, who has been much interested in the work at Lolodorf. He presented to her the fine opportunities for increased missionary activity there, the result of which has been that she has given \$10,000 in addition to her already generous gifts.

A letter from one of the Secretaries of the Board concerning the need for the opening of a new station in Corea placed in the hands of an elder in one of the churches of this Synod brought the money required to open that station. There are several men in this Synod who could have a large share in a parish abroad, if not a whole parish, if they were properly cultivated. The Synod of Iowa issues a call this year for, at least, twenty individual subscriptions of \$1,000 a year to help make up the \$1,500,000 recommended by the last Assembly as the minimum amount to be raised this year for Foreign Missions. Is the Synod of New Jersey less able than the Synod of Iowa to do this?

The church that would be informed on the subject of Foreign Missions must read the literature published by the Board on this subject. The *Assembly Herald* and the *Woman's Work for Woman* are always interesting, and are worthy of a larger circulation. The *Bulletins* that are issued occasionally giving us the freshest news from the field in succinct form are excellent. *Bulletin No. 9* was issued in September. Concerning the new magazine, *All the World*, I quote the words found in the circular letter issued by the Board to Presbyterian Chairmen:

"The new Forward Movement magazine, *All the World*, which commenced in January, 1905, has been well received throughout the Church. It is offered free to everyone who contributes as much as \$2.00 a year to the work of the Foreign Missions Board, and also to the pastor of every church whose contribution is not less than \$10 a year. Special provision has been made for this purpose by members of the Forward Movement Committee; with the October issue the circulation reaches 10,000. This little magazine is intended especially as a medium for workers in the home church to discuss methods and compare experiences, and as a channel of communication between the church at home and the parish abroad. Co-operation is desired in making the utmost use of it for these purposes."

Your Committee have decided to have a missionary itinerary this year in January and February, and to confine it to four of the Presbyteries, viz: Jersey City, Elizabeth, Newark and Morris and Orange. But half of the Presbyteries are taken this year, in order that more thorough and detailed work may be done in the Presbyteries visited. It is the desire and hope of the Committee to reach every Church in these four Presbyteries, and, if possible, to bring to each church in a very definite and real way the work of the Board, and discuss with pastors and Sessions and other representative men plans whereby the interest in their cause may be deepened and the gifts increased.

We are to have the hearty co-operation of Dr. Halsey and Mr. McConaughy and the helpful service of some of our best missionaries.

The following recommendations are offered:

1. That we heartily commend to our churches the "Assembly Herald," "Woman's Work for Woman," "All the World," and "Over Sea and Land," and that we make a special effort this year to increase their circulation among our people.

2. That we welcome the occasional leaflet known as the "Bulletin," request the Board to continue its publication, and urge pastors particularly to procure it.

3. That we magnify the Monthly Concert of Prayer for Missions, and use every means within our reach to make it interesting and attractive.

4. That we commend the forward movement in our Sabbath-schools by which regular instruction in missions is given to the children and young people, and that we hail with gratitude the coming of Rev. Walter C. Erdman to be an Assistant Secretary in the Home Department of the Board, whose duty it shall be to supervise the plans for stimulating interest in this cause in the Sabbath-schools.

5. That we cordially commend Mr. David McConaughy to our churches, and urge them to co-operate with him in his efforts to increase their interest in and their gifts to Foreign Missions, and especially as he seeks to have churches take part in the parish plan of support.

6. That inasmuch as the Assembly has suggested \$1,500,000 as the minimum amount to be raised by the Church this year, we aim in this Synod at an advance of twenty per cent. in our contributions, and that pastors be requested to bring this matter to the attention of people of large means in their congregations.

JOHN F. PATTERSON,

Chairman.

IX.—TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR FOREIGN MIS-
SIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The twenty-eighth annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Synod of New Jersey met in the First Presbyterian Church, Jersey City, October 12th, 1905, at 1:45 o'clock.

Mrs. William P. Stevenson, the President, in the chair. The service was opened with the hymn, "Fling Out the Banner," after which Mrs. Stevenson led in prayer.

Mrs. Walter Condict, Corresponding Secretary, gave a most encouraging report. This year we are rejoicing in eighteen new auxiliaries, a gain of 1,374 new members, and an increase of gifts in six Presbyteries. The report was accepted with joy.

Mrs. Peter Stryker reported for Young People's Work. Many encouraging facts were given, and a few discouraging ones, but since many of these young people have taken for their motto, "This World for Christ," we can see in the near future much done in the Master's name by these earnest young folks. The report was accepted.

The Secretary of Literature, Mrs. L. B. Coddington, urged the use of literature in our work, commending the study class and speaking most earnestly for "Over Sea and Land." The report was accepted.

Miss H. F. Van Meter, Treasurer of Contingent Fund, reported a balance, October 9th, 1905, of \$100. An appeal was made by Mrs. Stevenson that as much of this sum as can be spared, after all bills are paid, be sent to Rev. Mr. Fulton and his sister, Dr. Mary Fulton, of China, toward paying for their home.

The solo, "By the Waters of Babylon," was most beautifully rendered while the offering was received, which amounted to \$34.72. Miss Margaret Hodge, of Philadelphia, was introduced, and spoke on the importance of study classes, recommending for this winter the book, "Christus Liberator," a study of Africa, leaving with us the question, "The world is entering Africa; will the church enter?"

The Committee on Place of Meeting reported an invitation from four Presbyterian churches in East Orange, uniting to entertain the Synodical Society in October, 1896. The invitation was very heartily accepted.

Rev. Arthur J. Brown, D.D., of New York, spoke to us about the new missionaries, sixty-six having been sent out this year. These young men and women represent the highest type of Christian manhood and womanhood, so careful is our Board in making these selections. How we should stand by these brave, noble ones, with our prayers, sympathies and gifts. Let deathless loyalty be ours, first to Christ the Liberator, and second to His earnest workers.

The following was offered by the Committee on Resolutions, and adopted:

Resolved, That we express our gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the measure of success we have achieved during the year.

That we extend to the ladies of this church our appreciation of their cordial welcome, generous hospitality, and of all the arrangements made for our comfort.

That we thank those who have so acceptably led us in our service of song, and the soloist who brought freshly to our minds a touching scene from the "long ago."

That we express our deep regret at the resignation from office of Mrs. Bennett and Mrs. Nelson, thanking them for their faithful and enthusiastic service. We feel sure they will still be actively engaged in the work.

That we endeavor to carry with us to our several homes and societies the influence of the inspiring addresses we have heard, and that this influence may urge us to greater zeal in spreading the truth, at home and abroad.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following. The report was accepted and adopted, resulting in the election of officers as follows:

President—Mrs. Wm. P. Stevenson.

ELIZABETH PRESBYTERY.

Vice-Presidents—Mrs. J. T. Kerr, Elizabeth.
Miss M. J. Petrie, Plainfield.

JERSEY CITY PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. Wm. Nelson, Paterson.
Mrs. P. F. Leavens, Passaic.

MONMOUTH PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. S. H. Thompson, Red Bank.
Mrs. Ella Stults, Cranbury.

MORRIS AND ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing, East Orange.
Mrs. A. J. Brown, Orange.

NEWARK PRESBYTERY.

Miss A. M. Carter, Newark.
Mrs. W. J. Rusling, Newark.

NEW BRUNSWICK PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. Peter Stryker, Bound Brook.
Mrs. J. J. Davidson, New Brunswick.

NEWTON PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. E. B. England, Asbury.
Mrs. W. R. Scranton, Belvidere.

WEST JERSEY PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. J. M. Moore, Clayton.
Mrs. I. Pursell, Wenonah.

Recording Secretary—Miss Mary R. Tooker, of Orange, to succeed Mrs. James H. Owens, of Paterson; *Secretary for Young People's Work* Mrs. W. H. Hall, of Perth Amboy, to succeed Mrs. Peter Stryker, of Bound Brook.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Walter Condict, Jersey City.

Treasurer—Miss H. F. Van Meter, Salem.

Secretary of Literature—Mrs. L. B. Coddington, Murray Hill.

The minutes of the meeting were read and accepted.

After singing the hymn, "Take My Life and Let It Be," the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Charles Herr, D.D., pastor of the church.

MRS. J. H. OWENS.

Recording Secretary.

X.—THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR FOREIGN MIS-
SIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

"Thou shalt observe the feast of ingatherings at the year's end."—
Exodus, 34:22.

Earnest women, young people and children, in Auxiliaries, Christian Endeavor Societies and Bands, large and small, have gleaned and bound together their offerings* of love and worship that form the Presbyterial sheaves. We bring them with joy and count them up with gladness at this Synodical Harvest Home.

<i>Presbyteries.</i>	<i>Auxiliaries.</i>	<i>Members.</i>	<i>Gifts.</i>
Elizabeth	28	1,866	\$5,574.25
Jersey City	22	1,016	2,735.07
Monmouth	25	759	2,347.71
Morris and Orange*	42	1,972	6,863.36
Newark	25	1,091	6,614.60
New Brunswick	32	1,254	4,224.86
Newton	25	789	1,562.90
West Jersey	35	971	1,506.83
		234	9,718
			\$31,429.58

*\$1,237.88 to N. Y.

Total—Auxiliaries, 234, gain of 18; members, 9,718, gain of 1,374; gifts, \$31,429.58, an increase in six Presbyteries.

"Go to thy house unto thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done."—Mark 5: 19.

Our missionary roll call numbers forty two, who have been "separated to the love of the Gospel," as the Friends designate their sent ones.

Africa—Two, Mrs. T. S. Ogden, Benito; Mrs. C. W. McCleary, Elat, who has spent a half year the only white woman in that interior station.

China—Seventeen, Mrs. John Kerr, Miss Electa M. Butler, Miss Harriet Lewis, Mrs. J. J. Boggs, M.D., Canton; Miss Edna Cunningham, Miss Anna R. Morton, Miss Manuella D. Morton, Ningpo; Dr. Frances F. Cattell, Dr. Mary Fitch, Miss Jane Adelaide Hyde, the newly-adopted daughter of Jersey City Presbyterial Society, Sochow; Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Drummond, Nanking; Miss Alice Carter, Peking; Rev. C. A. Killie, Paotingfu; Mrs. S. B. Neal, Chinanfu; Mrs. C. W. Campbell, Kiungchow; Mrs. C. C. McIntyre, not assigned.

India—Ten, Miss Emma Morris, Lodiana; Mrs. John Newton, Lahore; Mrs. C. W. Forman, Ferozepore; Miss Helen Goddard, Dehra Doon; Rev. C. H. Bandy, Furrukhabad; Mrs. J. H. Holcomb, Jhansi;

Rev. J. M. Goheen, Rev. C. W. Simpson, Kolhapur; Rev. J. N. Forman, Etah; Miss A. A. Browne, Kodoli.

Japan—Two, Rev. Geo. Pierson, Asahigawa; Miss Kate Youngman, Tokyo.

Korea—One, Mrs. C. H. Irvin, Fusan.

Siam—One, Mrs. R. R. Jones, Petchaburee.

Laos—Two, Mrs. Daniel McGilvary, Mrs. Wm. Harris, Chiengmai.

South America—Five, Miss Ella Kuhl, Miss M. P. Dascomb, Curityba, Brazil; Miss Jessie Scott, Miss Lena Hastings, Barranquilla, Colombia; Miss Florence Smith, Valparaiso, Chili.

Syria—Two, Miss Charlotte Brown, Sidon; Mrs. Wm. Jessup, Zahleh.

These missionaries are under the entire or partial care of the eight Presbyterian societies, as follows:

Elizabeth, 7; Jersey City, 4; Monmouth, 3; Morris and Orange, 7; Newark, 12; New Brunswick, 6; Newton, 2; West Jersey, 1.

We miss Mrs. E. H. Ladd's name from our list. She has felt obliged to resign, after twenty-one fruitful years of work in South America. We trust she may long be spared to work with us at home.

On the foreign field this Synodical Society is rich in memorials to loved ones whom

"Death doth hide,
But not divide,
Who are but on Christ's other side."

The Chinese Sunday-school of Jersey City First has just sent to Forman Memorial Hospital, Yeung Kong, China, the best procurable operating table of steel and glass, thus bringing Home and Foreign Missions into hand-to-hand touch.

Tooker Hospital, Soochow, China, is a growing power for good in newly-awakened China.

The Junkin Hospital, Fusan, Korea, counts its thousands who have been healed.

Monmouth has not waited for a great sorrow to prompt relief for other's pain, but in their prosperity have established Monmouth Dispensary in Fatehgarh, India.

In Miraj Hospital, India, a child's bed, which is a constant blessing to some baby, has been endowed.

These various and widely-separated hospitals, naming the names we love, have, during the past year, given relief to 44,689 sufferers.

From this vast army of health-seekers thanks to God in many tongues have risen as incense of praise, and blessings been poured forth for the skill of the foreign doctor and on your loving remembrances.

Sailing on African waters is the boat Dorothy. It, as well as the wee bed in India and the E. R. C. Fund, from Crescent Avenue Church, Plainfield, are in memory of a

"Glad little child,
Heaven-gained,
Unstained,
Earth's undefiled."

The Brick Church of Orange have perpetuated the name of its late Auxiliary President in the Mary W. Dwight Hall for Bible Women, Lien Chow, China.

A fitting memorial to Mrs. Stanley K. Phraner is the Eliza Westervelt Phraner School for Girls, Chieng Mai, Laos.

In the Mary H. Leggett Fund a mother continues the gifts of her daughter to the Joshi Gakuin, Tokyo, Japan.

The Theo. and Sarah Carter Fund is the constant gift of our missionary, Miss Alice Carter, in memory of her parents.

Mrs. Wm. M. Paxton, of Princeton, has built the Paxton Training School for Christian Workers at Kieng Chow, China.

For Mrs. E. M. Hunt, late President of New Brunswick, we join in the old Southern refrain:

"She has taken up her crown and gone home."

"That life is long that answers life's great end."

Miss Demarest, after long and painstaking service as Treasurer of Jersey City Presbyterial Society, retires with honor to its rank and file. We welcome Mrs. S. H. Prentice, of Englewood, as the new Treasurer.

"Faithful" must be our key-word for the coming year.

"They were counted faithful and their business was to distribute."—Neh. 13:13.

"God is faithful, by whom ye are called."—1 Cor. 1:19.

MRS. WALTER CONDUCT,
Corresponding Secretary.

XI.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK.

Statistics.—We are gratified in being able to report advancement in many lines of work. Four hundred and sixty-five schools are reported, a gain of 21; 8,742 officers and teachers are engaged in this work, with an enrollment of 68,047 scholars, an increase of 2,347. The Home Department numbers 7,453, or 727 more than last year, making the total membership of our schools 84,242, an increase of 3,074. During the year covered by this report 4,238 officers, teachers and scholars have been lost, while 5,556 new members have been added, a net gain of 1,318.

A new Presbytery, that of Havana, appears in our report for the first time. It reports 16 Sabbath-schools, with 46 officers and teachers, and 684 scholars, 134 of these being added during the year; 122 are members of the Church. These schools raised \$544 for their own support and contributed \$79 to the Boards of the Church during the year, surely a good showing for their first report.

Gratifying gains have been made by the Presbyteries of Newark, New Brunswick, West Jersey and Monmouth, Newark leading with an advance of 697 officers, teachers and scholars, an increase of 58 in the Home Department and 59 in Teacher Training Classes. They also report an increase of \$973 in their gifts to the Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work.

Fourteen thousand four hundred and thirty scholars of our schools are reported as members of our churches, while 1,700 have been received into the fellowship of the Church during the year, 433 less than last year.

The Shorter Catechism is taught in 232 of our schools, and 300 schools report the use of the Westminster Lesson Helps. Normal classes for the training of teachers report 435 members as against 701 in our last report. We fear the importance of this work is not duly appreciated by our pastors and superintendents. Your Committee would urge upon all our schools the importance of establishing Teacher Training Classes, which, we believe, would do more for your Sunday-school than any other special line of work you could undertake; and in this connection would commend to your notice the "Westminster Teacher Training Course," contained in two small volumes prepared under the editorial supervision of the Rev. J. R. Miller, D.D., and a strong corps of helpers, and published by the Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work. The Board has also prepared examination papers for this course, and will give a certificate to all those who pass satisfactory examinations. Dr. James A. Worden has been appointed

Superintendent of Sabbath-school Training, and his entire attention will be given to this work.

Offerings.—The churches and Sunday-schools of Synod gave to the Board of Publication and Sunday-school Work \$11,941. The Sunday-schools contributed \$4,791 of this amount, as against \$4,046 last year, a gain of \$745, and this notwithstanding the fact that one of our Presbyteries has failed to make any report this year. Had we the figures of this missing Presbytery, which last year gave \$1,877, we should be able to show a very large increase over last year's figures.

To other Boards of the Church the schools have contributed \$13,688, which is \$6,469 less than last year, a fact to be deeply regretted, and which calls for increased loyalty to the work of the Boards by our Sunday-schools. For their own support the Sunday-schools have raised \$37,896, making the total amount raised for all purposes \$63,498, which includes the gifts of the churches to the Sunday-school Board. This is \$1,514 more than last year, notwithstanding the failure of one Presbytery to report.

Mission Work.—The missionary work of the Board has been prosecuted with great vigor and zeal and a large measure of success during the past year. This work has been carried on in 38 States and Territories and in the island of Cuba. One hundred and forty-three missionaries and colporteurs have been engaged in the work; 737 new schools being organized and 316 reorganized, a total of 1,053, into which have been gathered 36,781 officers, teachers and scholars. The missionaries have also nurtured 2,405 schools previously organized; the membership of these is 92,906. During the year 100 churches have been developed from these schools, 82 of which are Presbyterian and 18 of other denominations.

The value of the Board's work is demonstrated by the simple statement that in seventeen years 892 Presbyterian Churches have grown from these missions, an average of 52 new churches every year. Other denominations, also, have shared in the fruits of the work, and have gathered from them 495 churches. The whole number of churches, therefore, thus organized since 1887 is 1,387, an average of over 81 churches every year.

Encouraging progress has been made in the missionary colporteur work among our foreign population. Twenty-two such missionaries have been employed laboring among Italians, Hungarians, Magyars, Poles, Bohemians, Slovaks, Ruthenians and other foreign peoples in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Illinois, West Virginia, Ohio, Texas and Nebraska. This is foundation work, preparing the field for the coming of the Home Missionary pastor. These colporteurs have visited 23,756 families, 9,095 of whom were found destitute of the Scriptures. 3,000 Bibles and Testaments have been sold, 1,726 given away, with 249,945 pages of tracts and periodicals. 15,423 families have been conversed or prayed with. Four colporteurs have been employed within the bounds of our own Synod, three among the Italians and one working among the Magyars. 5,632 families have been visited, 460 Bibles given away and 396 sold.

Our Church is awaking to its opportunities in this direction; the Board has more calls for workers than it can answer, and appeals for increased contributions that it may push the work this year. A colporteur can be supported for \$500 per year. Many of our churches could support such a worker.

We beg to submit the following resolutions:

1. That every Sunday-school be urged to establish a teacher training class and a Home Department.
2. That every Sunday-school be urged to observe Children's Day, the second Sabbath of June, and Rallying Day, the last Sabbath of September, and that liberal offerings be made on these days to the missionary and colportage work of the Board.
3. That the schools be urged to increased loyalty to the Boards of the church, evidenced by greatly increased gifts.

HENRY C. CRONIN,
Chairman.

XII. REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

There are many questions flying about as to the condition of Young People's Societies, such as "Are they dying out?" "Why do they not take more interest?" "What is the matter with our societies?" These questions are answered in various ways. Some societies are reported as being very efficient; while others are languishing, and some have entirely died out.

First, we have Havana reporting five societies, with 142 members and contributions of \$42. The Chairman, Rev. Herbert S. Harris, of Sancti Spiritus, says: "A special effort is being made to unite Young People's Societies of all denominations on the island, to be held in the city of Matanzas next spring. This proposition has been taken up with much enthusiasm by the ministers of all the denominations."

Monmouth says: "Concerning C. E. work in general, it is probably true that while there is not the enthusiasm about it that there was some years ago, it has the same advantages that it ever had where it can be worked."

The Senior C. E. Societies gave for all purposes \$2,537, and societies of all kinds gave \$3,857."

Morris and Orange emphasizes the matter of conversions, "which numbered 123, or about 3½ per cent. of their membership." The Chairman shows that "this is greater than the gain in the churches, which is about 3 per cent., but is lower than the average of the State, which is 4½ per cent., and the latter average is lower than that of the whole country, which is 6 per cent." "Therefore," he continues, "we should heartily welcome the approaching evangelistic movement. Our societies contributed very largely, reaching the total of all objects of \$6,470."

Newark says: "On the whole, good work seems to have been done, and the churches seem to be satisfied with their Young People's Societies and their work. But there are crowds of our Presbyterian young people outside of the Young People's Society. The members of our Sessions should co-operate to make the pastor the leader of the work of our Young People's Societies."

West Jersey says: "I think we can see through the Presbytery a growing interest in missions. Where pastors and elders do their part as leaders, there is enthusiasm and large fruitage."

It is perfectly evident that there is a feeling of uneasiness and a general desire that matters should be better. It is also evident that pastors and church members must take more interest in their Young People's Societies.

The subject of Young People's Societies attracted great attention in the last General Assembly, and will probably be thoroughly discussed

in the next. The Assembly recommended quarterly payments of offerings and prompt annual reports not later than March 20th, approved of a single system of reporting for all Young People's Societies, and reminded the Church of the importance of conversions. These matters have also been called to the attention of Synod at various times.

I.—MISSIONARY ENTERPRISES.

There seems to be almost every kind of missionary enterprise. Specific objects of a large kind are assigned to societies, for the most part, by groups. Some of the societies are doing their part in supporting the missionaries assigned to their local church, and so can give but little or nothing to the group object. This is as it should be. Some large amounts are worthy of mention. The societies in the Madison Church gave to Home and Foreign Missions, \$409; Park Church, Newark, \$439; Westminster Church, Elizabeth, \$610, and First Church, Newark, \$658, leading the van. The missionaries assigned to the C. E. Societies are all men, a complete list of whom was given in our last report. This plan works well. Only the New Brunswick group reaches full support, but even as it is, the plan helps to keep the societies steady, gives them a mark to aim at, and occupies their energies in behalf of their own church.

Comparing Presbyteries, we find the following Home Missions contributions by the home societies of all kinds, as reported by the Board, to wit: Elizabeth, \$838.95; Jersey City, \$497.62; Monmouth, \$597.86; Morris and Orange, \$1,145.75; Newark, \$1,279.71; New Brunswick, \$369.36; Newton, \$398.76; West Jersey, \$382.85; total, \$5,500.87, being a gain on last year of \$91.00. The following are the foreign missions contributions, to wit: Elizabeth, \$1,828.91; Jersey City, \$436.06; Monmouth, \$706.68; Morris and Orange, \$1,367.24; Newark, \$898.63; New Brunswick, \$1,117.11; Newton, \$326.62; West Jersey, \$473.44; total, \$7,154.59, being a decrease on last year of \$448.

It is the opinion of your committee that the time has come to enlist our young people more fully in the work of Synodical Home Missions. The societies are well able to contribute \$1,000 annually for this work.

II.—THE CHRISTIAN STUDY COURSE.

At the last General Assembly the Permanent Committee reported the Study Outlines for the work of the second and third years of the Christian Study Course. This was cordially approved, as also was the proposal of the committee in behalf of a comprehensive plan to include all study courses now operating in our church. The Assembly calls attention to the fact that a course is now provided that is not too difficult for the average young people in our church, and that does not infringe upon plans that are already being prosecuted in the Sunday-schools.

We now once more press upon our pastors and Sessions the matter of the Christian training of their young people. After all our work for

them in the Sunday-school they retain all too little of the Bible. But what do they know of Presbyterian Church history, doctrine, polity and missions? We are ashamed to say how little. The Christian Study Course has been created to meet the need. Brief programmes containing suggestions and helpful hints have been prepared by the Secretary of the Permanent Committee, and are printed monthly in *The Assembly Herald* and in the Presbyterian weeklies. The work for the second year, beginning this October, is as follows: Biblical subject; Reading the Old Testament in One Year: Pamphlet, "A List of Daily Readings, According to Paragraphs and Subjects," prepared by the Secretary, price 5 cents, free to students purchasing the hand-book. Hand-book, "The Old Testament and Its Contents," by Rev. James Robertson, D.D., Glasgow; price 40 cent^s. Historical subject; The Reformation and the National Presbyterian Churches; hand-book, "The Presbyterian Churches," by the Rev. J. N. Ogilvie, A.M.; price 40 cents. Doctrinal subject: The Apostles' Creed; hand-book, "Exposition of the Apostles' Creed," by Rev. James Dodds, D.D., Glasgow; price 40 cents. These three books cost \$1.00. The Home Missionary hand-book, "Heroes of the Cross in America," by Don O. Shelton; price 50 cents. Foreign Missionary hand-books, "Daybreak in the Dark Continent," by Rev. Wilson S. Naylor, Ph.D.; also "Christus Liberator (Africa), by our own Miss Ellen C. Parsons, A.M., each costing 50 cents. All the prices are greatly reduced and include postage. For more than one copy of any book, special rates will be quoted. All orders for books should be sent to the Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia, Pa.

In this connection we call attention to some historical anniversaries. In the historical department of the Study Course for this year, beginning in October, we come to Luther, starting the Protestant Reformation on October 31st, 1517, and to Calvin founding the Presbyterian Church in Geneva on November 20th, 1541, and to Knox saving the Church in Scotland. We urge all our churches and societies to celebrate these precious anniversaries, and to that end the Secretary of General Assembly's Permanent Committee has prepared a Calvin programme for the Presbyterian evening in November, and a Knox programme for the Scotland evening in February. Also, we call attention to the fact that next year the historical subject is the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, and also that next year, December, 1906, is the two hundredth anniversary of the ordination of the first Presbyterian pastor on American soil, that of the Rev. John Boyd, at Old Scots Church. This event should be generally celebrated by all our societies and churches, as one of which we are justly proud in New Jersey.

III.—STATISTICS.

At this point we rely partly upon the C. E. statistics of the New Jersey C. E. Union, but more especially upon our statistical reports and those of the Boards.

The C. E. group numbers about 245 societies, with 6,431 active members; 15 intermediates, with 160 members, and 150 Junior Societies, with 2,600 members.

Our young people's societies of all kinds, including Mission Bands, number about 510, with 12,000 members. They gave to the Board of Home Missions \$5,500; to the Board of Foreign Missions, \$7,154; to other Boards, \$264; to Synodical Home Missions, \$156, or to all Boards and agencies a total of \$13,074, which is a decrease on last year of \$299. It is to be noted that these amounts do not include miscellaneous benevolence, which is very large, but is not reported with sufficient accuracy to warrant quotation of the figures.

IV.—RESOLUTIONS.

1. That we give a cordial welcome to the Young People's Societies of our new Presbytery of Havana, and bid them God-speed in the great work of taking Cuba for Christ.

2. That we urge all our pastors and Sessions to study most carefully their young people's work, with a view to a general improvement in the methods and results.

3. That it is the opinion of Synod that the time has come for enlisting all our Young People's Societies in the work of Synodical Home Missions, and *resolved* that all our Presbyterian Committees on Y. P. S. be requested, in connection with pastors and Sessions, to push this matter with a view to obtaining for the coming year the sum of \$1,000 in contributions.

4. That the attention of our pastors be called to the Christian Study Course, with the hope that they may be able to take up with their young people the work of, at least, the Biblical and Missionary Departments.

5. That Synod heartily approves of observing, by special exercises in all our churches and societies, the Reformation anniversary, in October, and the Calvin anniversary, in November, and the Knox anniversary, in February, and also, and more especially in 1906, the 200th anniversary of the first ordination of a Presbyterian pastor on American soil, the Rev. John Boyd, at Old Scots Church, and hereby appropriates the sum of \$15.00 for the Committee on Young People's Societies for the preparation of suitable programs for the John Boyd anniversary and other accessories of the occasion, and that the offerings of the same be turned over to Synodical Home Missions.

6. That once more the attention of our pastors and Sessions be called to the work among young men and the need of suitable societies for them as a successful means to enlisting them for Christ and the Church.

HUGH B. MACCAULEY,

Chairman.

XIII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

A circular letter was printed by the Committee and answers were asked from each pastor to the following questions:

(1) To what extent is there Sabbath desecration in your community?

(2) To what extent do the members of your church fail in keeping the Lord's Day holy?

(3) What effort is your church or your community making to have the laws enforced?

(4) How long since you preached a sermon on the subject of "Sabbath Observance"?

(5) Will you follow the recommendation of the last General Assembly and preach a sermon on the subject during the month of April, 1905?

(6) Will you further follow the same recommendation by placing the American Sabbath Union, No. 203 Broadway, New York City, on the list of the benevolences of your church?

(7) Kindly mention any work which, in your judgment, Presbytery's Committee or Synod's Committee can profitably undertake.

Replies have come from all but one of the Presbyteries. Presuming that the condition in this Presbytery is about the same as elsewhere, we note the following:

(1) All over the State the condition is the same. Just as much violation of the laws and desecration of the Lord's Day as the better element of the community will permit. From the rural churches the report is that the Sabbath is fairly well observed, except that the Sunday newspaper is taken in many homes and that social visiting is on the increase. From two Presbyteries comes the loud outcry against Sunday excursions and parks open on Sunday. Particular mention is made of the Bellwood Park, owned by the Lehigh Valley Railroad. No liquor is sold there, but it can be taken in any quantities by the picnickers. One Sunday excursion company consumed sixty half-barrels of beer one day last summer. Particular attention is called to the fact that many Sunday-schools go to this place for the summer picnic, and thus place their seal of approval on the grounds as a worthy resort.

(2) Opinion varies about the extent to which members of the church keep the day holy. We certainly do find that the pledged followers of Jesus Christ desecrate the day continuously. The chairmen from two Presbyteries urge in the strongest manner that here is the place to lay the emphasis. Entirely too many people in the church keep the Sabbath only when it is convenient. In the past the burden of the report to Synod has been on this very point.

(3) There seems to be very little effort made by the churches to have the Sabbath laws enforced. The only definite reply from the whole State comes from Phillipsburg. There the churches see to it that the saloon bars are closed tight on the Lord's Day. The condition in Bloomfield is worthy of our most careful consideration. At the meeting of this Committee in Newark it was stated that an Evangelical Union had been formed some years ago as the outcome of a revival movement in that town. This Union, among other things, gave attention to the Sunday-closing of bars and to the granting of saloon licenses. The result is that no saloons are open on Sunday, and the people will see to it that none are opened in the future. The number of licenses was reduced from 40 to 20, and there has been no increase in the number of licenses granted in the past five years. A similar result can be the outcome of the present evangelistic campaign. It is clear that whenever a church or churches are determined to have the law enforced, and will follow up their determination by hard and continuous effort, they can gain their desire. The conclusion is evident that each church ought, either alone or with other churches in that community, to be always seeking to have at least one Sabbath law enforced. Then from that victory on to the next. A call has come from one Presbytery for Synod to instruct its committee to have a few of the Sabbath laws printed and the course to be stated when redress is sought, and circulate this paper among the pastors in Synod.

(4) The request to know how long since each pastor has preached on the subject has produced some fruit, for some pastors who before neglected to embrace the opportunity, have presented the subject to their people. The sermons preached may be estimated from the fact that not 50 per cent. of the ministers in Synod replied to the circular letter sent out by the chairmen in the Presbyteries.

(5) (6) The authority of the General Assembly is not fully recognized, because some make no response, either in preaching, as requested by the Assembly, or placing the American Sabbath Union on the list of benevolences. A few churches do contribute to the work of that Union. Others claim that the present list cannot be enlarged.

(7) The suggestions made for work that Synod's Committee can profitably undertake are given in the matters already stated, and will be further named in the accompanying resolutions.

We are informed that ministers in the different towns are active enough to prevent flagrant violations of the day. We should not seem to establish a maximum limit for desecration before notice is taken of the sin, but should see how much evil of every kind can be uprooted. In other States good results have been obtained during the past year. The demand of labor for its rights is doing something for a better use of the day, but that demand is on the basis of mere humanity. Surely, it is incumbent upon the Church for the sake of humanity, and much more for the sake of our God, that each member of the Church shall keep the day in accordance with the spirit and letter of God's law.

The following resolutions are submitted for your consideration:

(1) That Synod urges all churches within its bounds to patronize only such places for their Sunday-school picnics as are closed on the Sabbath Day.

(2) That since the Sunday newspaper, Sunday traveling and Sunday social functions are inconsistent with God's intention in giving the Sabbath to man, we earnestly urge that these things and all else that does not keep the day holy be given up by pastors, elders and communicants.

(3) That we most heartily commend and warmly endorse the work of the American Sabbath Union and the Woman's National Alliance in their faithful efforts to preserve in its purity the Christian Sabbath.

(4) That we call the attention of our ministers to resolution No. 8 of the General Assembly's Committee (Minutes 1905, page 22) recommending that during the month of April a sermon be preached on the subject of Sabbath Observance, and that, if the way is clear, an offering be made for the work of the American Sabbath Union, to be sent to Col. A. S. Bacon, Treasurer, 37 Liberty St., New York City.

(5) That a committee be appointed or this committee be instructed to print the most important Sabbath laws that are being violated, stating the means of redress that can be taken, and that the same be mailed to each minister in the Synod not later than January 1st, 1906, provided they cannot be codified in time to become a part of the annual printed record of the Synod of New Jersey.

SAMUEL D. PRICE,
Chairman.

XIV.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

The work of temperance reform in our State is now carried forward along many lines or by many methods: by education, agitation, efforts to secure better laws and law enforcement; the use of temperance literature and the temperance pledge, various temperance organizations, the Prohibition party, Christian example, and especially by the preaching of the converting and sanctifying word of God through the Christian Church. The great need in our State at this time is for some form of organization or federation by which all enemies of the liquor traffic and liquor drinking habit can be brought to work together along some definite and practicable lines, and especially in securing better temperance legislation. We lack the ambition and strength which come from unity of effort. It is believed by many that a general local option law, such as prevails in many States in our Union, is the best method for advancing our cause at this time, so far as legislation is concerned, and it is the conviction of those who have been endeavoring to secure such a law that the time is opportune for a successful campaign in this direction. A township local option bill was introduced into our State Senate last winter by Senator Childs, of Somerset county, and a public hearing granted to those favorable and opposed to the same, at which the former chairman of this Committee, Rev. J. De Hart Bruen, and other members of this Synod joined other temperance workers in advocating this measure. While this bill was not advanced to a vote in the Senate, its supporters were encouraged to believe that an earlier start this coming winter and a more general and strenuous effort in favor of the bill would result in the securing of a vote upon it, and, in the case of failure, would give us at least better ground to work upon in the future.

Your Committee hopes that this Synod will lend its influence to this movement. Under such a law a considerable portion of our State might soon be free from the license-protected liquor traffic, and we could, no doubt, gradually extend such territory. The Presbytery of New Brunswick, last April, took action looking to the uniting of all ecclesiastical bodies in our State in an effort to arouse public sentiment and concerted effort for the obtaining of a Local Option Law.

Your Committee think that we have much to hope for always in the temperance reform, from the education of our children in the public schools in the baneful effects of alcohol upon the human system, and from the instruction given in our Sunday-schools upon the moral and religious aspects of the temperance question. But this instruction needs to be carefully insisted upon by ministers and elders in their respective

localities. We are glad to report that especially in Camden, Cape May and Monmouth counties there has been much effective work done the past year in the way of law enforcement, particularly against Sunday liquor selling. We regret exceedingly that in Asbury Park, founded as a temperance town, a movement for high license has been energetically pushed the past summer and advocated in the public press by a member of one of our churches. In a referendum election ordered by the city council, in which property-holders of both sexes were entitled to vote, no-license won the day by only eight votes. In view of this movement for high license in Asbury Park, the temperance people of the whole State should use their influence to prevent the repeal of the present law, which prohibits the licensing of the liquor traffic within one mile of the Ocean Grove camp ground. We are glad to notice that in very many of our churches and Sunday-schools the temperance pledge is being extensively signed.

Your committee would press upon our ministers and churches the very earnest request of our General Assembly's Permanent Committee on Temperance for largely increased funds with which to carry on their work. The work of Professor Charles Scanlon, as field secretary of that committee, has been well received and highly commended by the churches which he has been able to visit. He writes us that "calls for meetings have multiplied fully ten-fold during the past year, and it has a chilling influence on our churches to have to say to so many of them that I am unable to accept their invitation." An annual contribution of 15,000 or 20,000 dollars from the more than 1,115,000 members of our denomination would enable the committee to do a splendid work in developing temperance sentiments and in inspiring and directing temperance work in our land. All of our churches together gave last year a total of \$315.36, and one of our large Presbyteries is not credited with a single church offering to the work of the Assembly's committee.

This Synod, like the General Assembly, must be deeply grieved by reports of much drinking and drunkenness among the students of some of our higher institutions of learning. Surely, the governing bodies of such institutions should feel that a very serious responsibility rests upon them to protect from the curse of the liquor habit, as far as possible, the youth who are committed to their care at the most critical period of their life, and the youth who are, too, in a large degree, the hope of our country and Church, and we, as a Synod, may well express our concern with regard to this matter.

It is currently reported that a vigorous effort will be made this coming winter by officers of our army and others to repeal the Anti-Canteen law, notwithstanding the fact that the official report made to Congress last winter indicated that the operation of this law had resulted in the decrease of arrests for drunkenness, in fewer desertions, and in a large falling off in the number of hospital patients. The exposure of a fearful state of immorality and drunkenness, prevailing in army circles, and especially among the officers, developed in a recent

divorce suit, is reason enough to justify this Synod in renewing its declaration in favor of the Anti-Canteen law.

Your committee think that the abortive effort to maintain a respectable liquor saloon in the Subway of New York City, by inaugurating it with a religious service and by introducing other new features designed to induce customers to drink only the milder liquors and to drink in moderation, has fully demonstrated the fact that the liquor saloon cannot be made a respectable institution, and that it is an evil deserving the condemnation and opposition of all good citizens, and utterly unworthy of legal protection.

We are happy to say that the general outlook for the temperance reform is encouraging. Dr. John F. Hill writes: "In this war upon strong drink such progress has now been made that about thirty millions of our population live in prohibiting territory, and about one-half of the area of the United States proper is free from the legalized saloon. In the entire country teachers of public schools are required by law to teach the children that alcoholic liquors are poisonous, and to warn them of their pernicious effects upon body and mind. Not only the evangelical churches generally, but seven-eighths of the leading fraternal orders decline to receive a seller of alcoholic drink to membership. It is also true that medical science, the world over, is growing more and more pronounced against the use of alcoholic liquors as a beverage, and employers of men in many lines of business are demanding total abstinence from the use of liquor by their employees. We need only to go forward with larger faith in the righteousness of our cause and in God as our Helper, and with more earnest, aggressive, patient and united endeavor, to rid this land of its greatest curse—a curse which will surely ruin the nation and Church if we do not crush its power."

We offer for your consideration and adoption the following resolutions:

1. That this Synod heartily endorses the plan of the General Assembly's Permanent Committee on Temperance to put more paid workers in the field, and urges the Sessions of all its churches to give their respective congregations an opportunity to contribute in some way each year to the support of its work.

2. That this Synod favors the plan of uniting all the churches and temperance organizations of our State for a movement to secure better temperance legislation, including a wise general Local Option law, and instructs its Moderator to appoint at this meeting a Committee of five—three ministers and two ruling elders—to represent it in such a united effort.

3. That this Synod, through its Stated Clerk, appeals to the President of the United States and to both houses of our national Congress to grant the wish of the civilized tribes of Indians in the Indian Territory, for their protection, by prohibitory enactment, from the licensed liquor traffic in any statehood bill which may be passed to include their Territory.

4. That, in justice to the parents of the students attending our higher institutions of learning and for the protection of these students also, the governing bodies of such institutions should, in the judgment of this Synod, enforce strict discipline within their jurisdiction against drunkenness and the use of intoxicating beverages, and that the alumni of such institutions should, for the sake of the undergraduates, if for no other reason, refrain from the use of alcoholic beverages at class reunions and all college functions.

5. That this Synod maintains its stand against the sale of alcoholic beverages in our military camps in face of the clamor of many army officers for the repeal of the present prohibitory law, believing that this law is working for the good of our army and nation, and that it is demanded for the highest efficiency of both officers and privates; also that we petition the Congress of the United States to extend this prohibition to the vessels and yards of our navy.

6. That this Synod urges all the ministers of our churches to preach a special temperance sermon on the General Assembly's Temperance Day, or at some more suitable time each year, and to further the practice of total abstinence from alcoholic drinks and promote the abolition of the liquor traffic by all wise means and methods.

WILLIAM V. LOUDERBOUGH,

Chairman.

XV.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

It is very gratifying to report unusual activity on the part of the Presbyterial committees throughout the Synod. Shortly after the last meeting of Synod the committee of the Presbytery of Elizabeth met and took steps to circulate the action of Synod in the resolutions adopted from this report. A letter was prepared and sent to all the ministers and elders of the Presbytery. On December 5th, at a meeting of the Synodical committee in Elizabeth, it was resolved to send to all ministers and elders within our bounds a letter calling attention to the resolutions of Synod on this subject. In June, through the kindness of Mr. Thomas Kane, of Chicago, the committee procured at greatly reduced cost forty copies of "The Tithe," which were sent out through the Presbyterial chairmen for circulation in the Synod. The letters, the books, other literature, stationery and postage wholly consumed the appropriation of \$25 made for the work of the committee.

We give a cordial welcome to the Presbytery of Havana to this fellowship in beneficence. All except one of the churches made generous offerings to the Board of Home Missions. The churches of the Presbytery of Corisco filled the same number of spaces as they did last year, but the amount of their offerings is diminished almost fifty per cent., the loss being incurred chiefly by the Foreign Board. Five of the fourteen churches of this Presbytery filled all the spaces, as they have done for a number of years.

Larger offerings were made by the churches of the Synod to all the boards except the Board of Home Missions, its loss being \$9,060. Synodical Home Missions gained \$990; the Board of Foreign Missions gained \$8,675; Education, \$2,620; Sabbath-school Work, \$188; Church Erection, \$14,381; Relief Fund, \$11; Freedmen, \$3,794; Aid for Colleges, \$62,211. Nine dollars more was given to the American Bible Society, and \$257 more to General Assembly's Permanent Committee on Temperance. The grand total for 1905 is \$479,610, and for 1904, \$395,684, making a net increase of \$83,926. And yet the unwelcome truth must be told that we have made no real gain in beneficence, for this net increase is due almost wholly to the figures reported by one church, and then we know that it was the liberality of one man in that one church. We are certainly very glad that there is one such in our Synod, one who has delight in giving large sums for the work of the Kingdom, but we must also deeply regret that there is not more than one. Doubtless there are some widows and working women who deserve the commendation pronounced upon the self-sacrifice of the widow, as the Master sat over against the treasury, and there are some who are titheers, but we are confronted with the most disagreeable fact that there are hundreds of men and women of wealth who are robbing God. The membership of the church has increased the past fiscal year a little

more than two per cent., but there is nothing to show in the way of beneficence that there has been any augmentation of the Church. The Presbytery of Elizabeth gave more to all the boards and to Synodical Home Missions than the year preceding; Jersey City gave more to Synodical Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Sabbath-school Work, Freedmen and Aid for Colleges, and less to Home Missions, Education, Church Erection and Relief. Monmouth gave more to Home Missions, Education, Church Erection and Freedmen; less to Synodical Missions, Foreign Missions, Sabbath-school Work, Relief, and Aid for Colleges. Morris and Orange gave more to Home Missions, Synodical Missions, Foreign Missions, Sabbath-school Work, Church Erection, Freedmen and Aid for Colleges; less to Education and Relief. Newark gave more to Synodical Missions, Education, Sabbath-school Work, Church Erection, and Aid for Colleges; less to Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Relief, and Freedmen. New Brunswick gave more to Synodical Missions, Sabbath-school Work, Freedmen, and Aid for Colleges; less to Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Church Erection, and Relief. Newton gave more to Synodical Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Sabbath-school Work, Relief, and Aid for Colleges; the same to Church Erection, and less to Home Missions and Freedmen. West Jersey gave more to Foreign Missions and Aid for Colleges; less to Home Missions, Synodical Missions, Education, Sabbath-school Work, Church Erection, Relief and Freedmen. With these disappointing reductions there is some satisfaction to note one reduction, viz., in the number of blank spaces in the columns of General Assembly's Minutes. Then, again, there are 116 blanks this year which were filled last year with \$1,033, or an average of nearly \$9 per space. Other evidence could easily be adduced to verify the statement of the Chairman of the Synod of Pennsylvania, that "our systematic beneficence 'is unsystematic,'" as equally applicable to New Jersey. Beneficence will never be truly systematic until it becomes definitely proportionate. Tithing would be a step or more towards the higher standard, and yet there is manifest unwillingness on the part of the majority of the members of the Church to take the step. As long as the beneficence side of church work is "unpleasant business" to some or many pastors there is little likelihood that the people will advance in it. There is, however, the assuring knowledge that a growing number of the younger generation of ministers and members adopt the principles of both Old and New Testaments in this matter.

A comparative study of the Presbyteries furnishes this exhibit:

Elizabeth	\$18.45	per capita; a gain of \$7.29
Newark	7.59	" " a loss of .96
Morris and Orange,	7.28	" " a gain of .45
Jersey City,	3.125	" " a loss of .044
New Brunswick,	2.81	" " a loss of .339
Monmouth,	2.38	" " a loss of .258
Newton,	2.10	" " a loss of .169
West Jersey,	2.026	" " a loss of .323

West Jersey and Newton exchange places in rank; the others remain as in the preceding year.

The average per capita of the Synod is \$6.35 as against \$5.33 last year. The contributions for congregational, miscellaneous and General Assembly average \$19.36, or more than three times as much per capita as for the benevolent agencies of the denomination.

Twelve Synods may be viewed with interest in the following table:

	<i>Boards.</i>	<i>Rank.</i>	<i>Congregational, &c.</i>	<i>Total.</i>	<i>Rank.</i>
New Jersey,	\$5.35	1	\$19.36 (1)	\$26.71	1
Oregon,	5.04	2	11.43 (12)	16.479	7
California,	4.407	3	16.125	20.533	2
New York,	3.89	4	16.36	20.25	3
Missouri,	3.538	5	12.73	16.268	9
Baltimore,	3.28	6	13.06	16.34	8
Pennsylvania,	3.237	7	13.48	16.717	6
Illinois,	3.23	8	16.195	19.425	4
Minnesota,	2.92	9	13.86	16.78	5
Indiana,	2.695	10	11.85	14.545	11
Ohio,	2.32	11	12.798	15.118	10
Wisconsin,	2.25	12	11.318	13.568	12

Oregon was overlooked last year as one deserving a place in this report. It is gladsome to discover that some of the Western Synods are giving signs of growth in beneficence. Missouri, Minnesota and Wisconsin, in addition to Oregon, and California mentioned last year, are contributing at the rate of \$2.25, or more, per capita to the Boards. But in their instances, as in the Eastern Synods, the disproportions between the amount expended for congregational purposes and what is given for the evangelization of the home country and the world is further evidence of the inattention to and disregard of proportionate and systematic beneficence. The Special Committee on Systematic Beneficence at the last General Assembly reported that, notwithstanding the steady increase of effort on the part of all the Boards to increase their annual income, still their receipts have been practically stationary for the past ten years. Synod's Committee most heartily unites with the Special Committee in urging pastors and Sessions to pursue some new course, if that is necessary, for increasing the gifts of the churches to our denominational agencies. The best literature on the subject in the form of leaflets is to be had for the asking by writing to Rev. W. H. Hubbard, D.D., Auburn, N. Y.

For your favorable consideration we recommend the following:

1. That the name of this committee be changed to the Permanent Committee on Proportionate and Systematic Beneficence.

2. That we recommend to all of our communions the practice of setting apart one-tenth of the income or increase as belonging unto the Lord, and the presentation of thank offerings in addition thereto.

3. That Synod appropriate \$25 for the work of this Committee this Synodical year.

W. W. CASSELBERRY,
Chairman.

XVI.—REPORT OF THE CUSTODIANS OF HISTORICAL MATERIAL.

The Custodians of Historical Material respectfully report that the following material has been placed upon the Synod's shelves during the year:

From Mr. Edward W. Barnes:

Presbyterianism in Perth Amboy, Harlan G. Mendenhall, 1903.

From the Rev. George Swain, D.D.:

Thirtieth Anniversary Sermon, Allentown, N. J., 1904.

From the Rev. Samuel D. Price:

Memorial of the Rev. Thaddeus Wilson, D. D.

From James Steen, Esq.:

Historical Sketch, Mount Pleasant (Frencau).

From the Rev. Chauncey T. Edwards, D.D.:

Historical Sketch, Toms River, 1885.

From the Rev. John DeWitt, D.D.:

Address, "Archibald Alexander's Preparation for His Professorship."

From the Rev. Allen H. Brown, D.D.:

History of First Church, Freehold, 1902.

History of Presbytery of New Castle.

International Missionary Index, 1902, Sketch of Robert Hamill Nassau, D.D.

In Memoriam, George Lewis Prentiss, 1903.

In Memoriam, Alexander Proudfit, D.D., 1897.

Semi-Centennial, Rev. Wm. W. Blauvelt, D.D., 1876.

Memorial Address, Wm. Henry Green, D.D., John D. Davis, D.D., 1900.

The Custodians have also to report that during the year the Rev. William B. Sheddan, Assistant Librarian of Princeton Seminary, has completed an exhaustive card catalogue of the valuable material in the possession of the Synod, which may be consulted at the library.

The Custodians recommend that the thanks of the Synod be extended to Mr. Sheddan for the careful and efficient labor bestowed upon this work.

WALTER A. BROOKS,
JOSEPH H. DULLES,

Custodians.

XVII.—AN ACT CONCERNING THE ELECTION AND INCORPORATION OF THE TRUSTEES AND THE MANAGEMENT OF THE TEMPORAL AFFAIRS OF CHRISTIAN CONGREGATIONS CONNECTED WITH THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

NOTE.—The Standard Text, as finally reported to Synod, 1905.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. Any Christian congregation connected with the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, not having an incorporated board of trustees, may elect a board of trustees and cause such board to become incorporated in the following manner: Any members of the congregation, male or female, not less than seven in number and each being of the full age of twenty-one years, may sign a written notice of a business meeting of the congregation to decide whether trustees for the congregation shall be elected and incorporated, and, in case the decision shall be in favor of such action, to elect such trustees. Such notice shall be conspicuously posted at the main entrance of the congregation's usual place of meeting for public worship, at least ten days previous to the date of the meeting mentioned in the notice. At such meeting the congregation shall by resolution decide whether a board of trustees shall be elected and incorporated. If the decision be in favor of such action, the congregation shall then by resolution or resolutions, determine the number of trustees to be elected, which number shall be three or any multiple of three, and the name by which the incorporated board shall be known. After such action the congregation shall, by a plurality of the votes cast by those members of the congregation, male and female, who are of the full age of twenty-one years and who have within the next preceding three months contributed toward the support of the gospel in that congregation, elect from such members of the congregation one-third of the whole number of trustees to serve until the first succeeding annual business meeting, one-third until the second succeeding annual business meeting, and one-third until the third succeeding annual business meeting, and, at each succeeding annual business meeting of the congregation, successors of the class of trustees whose terms are then expiring shall be elected from such members of the congregation as aforesaid to serve until the third annual business meeting after the election of such successors;

First Election
of Board of
Trustees.

Notice
Given.

Number.

Who May
Vote.

Proviso.	<i>provided</i> , that a majority of the whole number of the trustees shall at all times be members of the church in good and regular standing.
Certificate of Incorporation.	2. As soon as possible after the first election of a board of trustees under the authority of the first section of this act, the members of such board shall make, sign and seal a certificate of incorporation which shall set forth:
Location.	I. The location of the usual place or places of meeting for public worship of the congregation whose trustees they are.
Names of Trustees.	II. The names of the trustees elected at such first election and their respective terms of office.
Name of Church.	III. The name chosen by the congregation by which the board of trustees shall be known.
Acknowledgment of Certificate.	The certificate of incorporation shall be acknowledged by each of the trustees before such officer and in such manner as is or may be required by law for the acknowledgment of deeds of conveyance of lands in this state, a certificate of which acknowledgment by the officer taking the same shall be endorsed in writing on the certificate of incorporation. The certificate of incorporation and the certificate of acknowledgment endorsed thereon shall then be recorded in the office of the county clerk or register of deeds of the county in which the congregation's usual place of meeting for public worship is located, for which service the county clerk or register of deeds shall be entitled to receive one dollar, and, after being so recorded, shall be filed without charge in the office of the secretary of state. From and after such recording and filing, the said board of trustees and their successors in office shall be a body politic and corporate in law by the name set forth in the certificate of incorporation.
Certificate Recorded.	
Succession of Board of Trustees.	3. Every Christian congregation connected with the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, having at the time when this act shall take effect an incorporated board of trustees, shall, in order to perpetuate a line of succession in such board, elect trustees in the following manner: At the annual business meeting of the congregation next succeeding the time when this act shall take effect, the congregation shall by by-law or resolution determine the number of trustees of which the board shall thereafter be composed, which number shall be three or any multiple of three, and the terms of all trustees theretofore elected shall end as soon as their successors shall be elected. Thereupon the congregation shall, by a plurality of the votes cast by those members of the congregation, male and female, who are of the full age of twenty-one years and who contribute by regular payments at stated periods to the support and necessary expenses of the congregation in accordance with its rules, elect from such members of the congregation one-third of the whole number of trustees to serve until the first succeeding annual business meeting, one-third until the second succeeding annual business meeting, and one-third until
Who May Vote.	

the third succeeding annual business meeting, and, at each succeeding annual business meeting of the congregation, successors of the class of trustees whose terms are then expiring shall be elected from such members of the congregation as aforesaid to serve until the third annual business meeting after the election of such successors; *provided*, that a majority of the whole number of trustees shall at all times be members of the church in good and regular standing. Proviso.

4. Any Christian congregation connected with the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, having an incorporated board of trustees whose number the congregation shall desire to change, may, at any annual business meeting of the congregation, by by-law or resolution determine the number of trustees of which the board shall thereafter be composed, which number shall be three or any multiple of three. If the decision be in favor of a change in the number of trustees, the terms of all trustees theretofore elected shall end as soon as their successors shall be elected. Thereupon the congregation shall, by a plurality of the votes cast by those members of the congregation, male and female, who are of the full age of twenty-one years and who contribute by regular payments at stated periods to the support and necessary expenses of the congregation in accordance with its rules, elect from such members of the congregation one-third of the whole number of trustees to serve until the first succeeding annual business meeting, one-third until the second succeeding annual business meeting, and one-third until the third succeeding annual business meeting, and, at each succeeding annual business meeting of the congregation, successors of the class of trustees whose terms are then expiring shall be elected from such members of the congregation as aforesaid to serve until the third annual business meeting after the election of such successors; *provided*, that a majority of the whole number of trustees shall at all times be members of the church in good and regular standing. No change, however, in the number or in the term of office of any incorporated board of trustees shall be made under the authority of this section unless written notice of the proposed change, authorized by the existing board of trustees or signed by at least seven members of the congregation entitled to vote on the question, be conspicuously posted at the main entrance of the congregation's usual place of meeting for public worship, at least ten days previous to the date of the annual meeting at which it is intended to take action on the proposed change. Method of Changing Number of Trustees.

5. Every incorporated board of trustees elected in accordance with any of the provisions of this act shall have power: Who May Vote.

- I. To have perpetual succession by its corporate name. Proviso.
- II. To sue and be sued in any court of law or equity. Powers of Trustees.
- III. To make and use a common seal and alter the same at pleasure. Succession. Legal. Seal.

- Officers. IV. To elect annually from their number a president and a secretary.
- Acquire and Hold Property. V. To purchase, lease, acquire, receive, have and hold any lands, tenements, hereditaments, legacies, donations, moneys, goods and chattels, in trust for the uses of the congregation, and the same, or any part thereof, to sell, grant, convey, assign, demise, alien or otherwise dispose of; *provided*, that no such sale or conveyance of any lands held in trust as aforesaid shall be made unless previously authorized by two-thirds of the votes cast at a duly called annual or special business meeting of the congregation.
- Proviso. VI. To borrow money for the uses of the congregation and secure the repayment of the same with interest by their corporate bonds and by mortgages on the real or personal property held by them for the uses of the congregation; *provided*, they be first authorized so to do by two-thirds of the votes cast at a duly called annual or special business meeting of the congregation.
- Borrow Money. VII. To make and execute such contracts as the congregation by its by-laws or resolutions may from time to time authorize.
- Proviso. VIII. To exercise all other powers necessary for the proper care of the property held by them for the uses of the congregation, subject always, however, to such authority over the worship of the congregation, including the musical service, over the times and places of preaching the word of God and of all other religious services, and over the uses to which the church buildings and other property may be put, as is or shall be committed by the constitution of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America to the Session of the church or to any other spiritual officers.
- Contracts. 6. The president of the board of trustees shall have power to convene the board as occasion may require, and he shall convene it whenever a written request so to do, signed by two members of the board of trustees, shall be presented to him.
- Additional Powers. 7. The secretary of the board of trustees shall keep the minutes of the proceedings of the board in a book to be provided for that purpose. He shall also be the custodian of the common seal of the board, and shall deliver such book of minutes and common seal to his successor in office on demand therefor.
- President. Calling Meetings of Trustees. 8. A treasurer may be elected by a congregation at its first business meeting for the election of trustees or at any annual business meeting of a congregation, by a plurality of the votes cast, to serve until the next annual business meeting after his election. He shall be ex-officio a member of the board of trustees; shall have charge of such moneys of the congregation as are contributed or paid to the board of trustees for congregational uses; shall keep a correct account of the receipts and disbursements of the same, separate from his private account and under his official title of "treasurer"; shall at each annual business meeting of the congregation render a true statement in writing of such receipts and disbursements for the preceding year, and from time to time render such other
- Secretary. Minutes and Seal.
- Treasurer Elected by Congregation, Duties, etc.

financial statements as shall be required by the congregation or by the board of trustees; shall be the custodian of all policies of insurance and securities of the board of trustees, and of all books, papers and documents pertaining to the temporal affairs of the congregation, excepting the book of minutes of the proceedings of the board of trustees, which shall remain in the custody of the secretary of the board; and shall deliver all such policies of insurance, securities, books, papers and documents, and pay the balance of moneys in his hands as such treasurer, to his successor in office on demand therefor.

9. If a treasurer shall not be elected by a congregation at its first business meeting for the election of trustees or at any annual business meeting of a congregation, such failure shall be construed as a preference by the congregation that the treasurer shall be elected by the board of trustees, and in such case the board of trustees shall, at their first meeting thereafter, elect one of their own number or any member of the congregation as treasurer to serve until the next annual business meeting of the congregation, or, in case no treasurer be then elected, until the first meeting of the board of trustees after such annual business meeting. The duties and powers of a treasurer elected by the board of trustees shall be the same as those of a treasurer elected by the congregation.

Treasurer—
When Elected
by Trustees.

10. An auditing committee consisting of three persons shall be elected at the first business meeting of a congregation for the election of trustees and at each annual business meeting of a congregation, and shall, within ten days previous to the next annual business meeting of the congregation, examine the accounts and vouchers of the treasurer, and report thereon at such meeting.

Auditing
Committee.

11. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in any board of trustees, the remaining trustees shall constitute the board until the vacancy be filled; and such vacancy may be filled for the unexpired term either at a special business meeting of the congregation duly called for that purpose or at the next annual business meeting of the congregation. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the office of president, the trustee of the board senior in age shall be president pro tempore, and the board shall elect one of their number to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the office of secretary or of treasurer or in the auditing committee, the board of trustees shall elect a person to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term.

Vacancies.

12. Every annual business meeting of any such congregation shall be held at their usual place of meeting for public worship at such time as the congregation shall by by-law prescribe, or, if there be no such by-law, then at such time as the board of trustees shall by resolution prescribe. In either case it shall be the duty of the board of trustees to cause a notice of such annual meeting to be conspicuously posted at the main entrance of the congregation's

Annual
Meetings.

usual place of meeting for public worship, at least ten days previous to the date prescribed for the meeting. If the board of trustees fail to cause such notice to be posted ten days before the date prescribed for the annual meeting by any by-law of the congregation, or, if there be no such by-law and the board of trustees fail to cause such notice to be posted within one year and ten days after any annual business meeting shall have been held, then any seven members of the congregation entitled to vote thereat may sign and cause a notice of such annual meeting to be conspicuously posted at the main entrance of the congregation's usual place of meeting for public worship, at least ten days previous to the date of the meeting mentioned in their notice.

Special Meetings.

13. Every special business meeting of any such congregation shall be held at their usual place of meeting for public worship, and may be called at any time either by the board of trustees or by not less than one-fourth of the members of the congregation entitled to vote thereat, upon written notice of the time, place and object thereof, which notice shall be conspicuously posted at the main entrance of the congregation's usual place of meeting for public worship, at least ten days previous to the date of the meeting mentioned in the notice, and the business of such special meeting shall be limited to the object mentioned in the notice thereof: *provided, however*, that nothing in this section shall be construed as a limitation upon the power of the Session of the church, or of any other spiritual officers, to call a congregational meeting at any time for any purpose authorized by the constitution of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America.

Proviso

By-Laws.

14. Any such congregation may, at any annual business meeting or at any special business meeting duly called for that purpose, adopt by-laws for the management of the temporal affairs of the congregation and the election of trustees, which by-laws shall not be inconsistent with this act; *provided, however*, that such congregation shall have no authority to adopt any by-laws pertaining to, or to exercise any power over, any matters which are committed by the constitution of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America to the Session of the church, or to any other spiritual officers; *and provided further*, that the persons entitled to vote at any such annual or special business meeting shall be only those members of the congregation, male and female, who are of the full age of twenty-one years and who contribute by regular payments at stated periods to the support and necessary expenses of the congregation in accordance with its rules. There shall be a list of such contributors, which shall be compiled and kept accurate by the treasurer of the board of trustees, a copy of which shall be furnished by him to the Session of the church. The said list shall be the authoritative list of voters at every such meeting.

Proviso as to Session.

Proviso as to Voters.

List of Contributors.

Examination of Records, etc.

15. Upon application to the secretary or the treasurer, any member of the board of trustees or of the congregation shall,

subject to reasonable regulations, be entitled to inspect and examine any of the policies of insurance, securities, books, papers and documents in the custody of either of such officers, and to copy the same or make extracts therefrom.

16. The minutes of the proceedings of the board of trustees and of all annual and special business meetings of the congregation, and a statement of the receipts and disbursements of the treasurer, shall at least annually and as much oftener as may be required by the Session of the church be submitted to such Session for review, for incorporation in their records, and for report to the higher judicatories of the church, according to the provisions of the constitution of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America.

Review of
Annual
Reports, etc.

17. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Repealer.

18. This act shall take effect on the first day of January, in the year nineteen hundred and six.

When Act
Effective.

XVIII.—SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE VICE AND IMMORALITY ACT.

See General Statutes of New Jersey, Vol. 3, page 3,707.
Revision of 1874.

Extracts taken from Honeyman's Justice, New Jersey, 1904.

The offenses against the Christian Sabbath are the following, and prosecutions are to be begun within thirty days after the commission of the offense:

All worldly employment or business, ordinary or servile labor or work, either upon land or water (works of necessity and charity excepted), shooting, fishing (not including with a seine or net, which is otherwise provided for), sporting, hunting, racing or frequenting tippling houses or any interludes or plays, dancing, singing, fiddling, or other music for the sake of merriment, and all playing at football, fives, nine pins, bowls, long bullets or quoits, and any other kind of playing sports, pastimes or diversions, but the offender must be of fourteen years or upwards.

But it is not an offense to walk, ride or drive for recreation, nor to print, publish and sell newspapers, nor to sell and deliver milk, nor to hire conveyances for driving, unless made so by the governing body of municipalities or incorporated camp-meeting associations; nor in case of a person going to or fro from a place of worship within a distance of twenty miles, or going to call a physician, surgeon or midwife, or carrying a mail to or from any post-office, or going expressly by order of any public officer. Hotels may also dress victuals for travellers or boarders. It is also made lawful for railroad companies to run one passenger train each way over their road.

It is further provided, that if any person is found fishing, sporting, playing, dancing, fiddling, shooting, hunting, gunning, travelling, or going to or returning from any market, or landing, with carts, wagons, or seeds, or behaving in a disorderly manner on the Sabbath, any citizen may stop such person at once, and detain him until the next day, when he may be taken before the justice.

To cast, draw or make use of any seine or net for the purpose of catching fish in any pond, lake, stream or river, or to aid or assist therein is punishable with a forfeiture of fourteen dollars for every offense.

Driving stage, unless in case of necessity or mercy, or to carry a mail, is punishable by a fine of eight dollars for every offense. The act directs that every justice of the peace seeing or knowing any such stage to be driven, shall stop and detain the same until the next day, and then inflict the penalties.

All wagoners, carters, draymen, drovers, butchers, or their servants, traveling with wagons, to load or unload merchandise, or driving animals, are subjected to a penalty of two dollars for every offense. If

cattle, sheep or hogs are being driven to market, they may be stopped by the justice until the next day.

To wilfully disquiet or disturb any assembly met for religious worship, either by making a noise, or rude or indecent behavior, or profane talk, whether in the meeting or out of it, is punishable by a fine of ten dollars. Any citizen or freeholder may at once apprehend such person and detain him until the next day. This act is not limited to Sundays.

All transportation of freight, excepting milk, on any highway, railroad or canal on the Sabbath, is forbidden. Every justice seeing or knowing of the passage of such freight, must stop and detain the same until the next day and then enforce the penalty.

Arrests made by whom.

Where not otherwise specified above, the arrests are to be in the usual way, by a regular constable, either upon his view or upon a warrant regularly issued.

It is, however, lawful for any persons who own or reside on land "situated beyond and within one mile of the corporate limits of any city" to designate, in writing, one or more special constables, for any term not exceeding one year, who may apprehend offenders under this act and detain them until next day, when they are to be taken before a magistrate, unless they enter into bond to appear at a day he may designate, to answer the charge, when he may discharge them from custody.

Complaint and Conviction.

The proceedings under the Vice and Immorality Act are not in the Small Cause Court, but before the justice as magistrate.

The complaint must be made within thirty days from the time of the commission of the offense. In drawing it, the language of the statute should be closely studied.

The mayor, recorder and alderman of every city or town corporate within this State, shall and may, for the purpose of this act, be vested with all the power and authority of a justice of the peace, within the bounds of their respective cities or towns corporate, and shall execute therein all the duties imposed by this act on justices of the peace.

Exemption from prosecution.

Persons who religiously observe Saturday as the Sabbath (as Seventh Baptists or Hebrews) cannot, usually, be convicted as having labored or worked on Sunday, but the burden of proof will be upon them to show that they uniformly keep the seventh day as the Sabbath, and habitually abstain from following any business on that day, or recreation, and devote it exclusively to exercise and religious worship. But even in this case the work must not disturb other people in the observance of the Sabbath, nor may any articles of merchandise be openly exposed for sale.

The sale of liquor is definitely prohibited on the Sabbath. See General Statutes, page 1,799, paragraph 72; also pawnbrokers are prohibited from receiving by way of pledge or pawn any goods, articles or things whatsoever on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday. Gen. Statutes, 2,446, par. 8.

XIX.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE TRUSTEES.

ALLEN H. BROWN IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF
NEW JERSEY.

1904.		<i>Dr.</i>	
Oct. 18.	To balance in Camden Safe Deposit and Trust Co—		
	In General Fund,	\$532 90	
	In Monumental Fund,	98 64	
			————— \$631 54
Dec. 31.	To accrued interest—		
	Account General Fund,	\$16 67	
	Account Monumental Fund,	2 51	
			————— 19 18
	To interest on Beakey mortgage,	50 00	
	To interest on Barnegat mortgage,	36 25	
			—————
			\$736 97
1905.		<i>Cr.</i>	
	By payment to Pastor Brainerd Church,	\$15 75	
	By payment to Forked River Church,	36 25	
	By payment to Manse Brainerd Church at Elwood, Wurts Legacy,	525 00	
	By care Historical Monument and the ground (for two years),	15 00	
Oct. 16.	By balance in Trust Co.—		
	In General Fund,	\$8 82	
	In Monumental Fund,	136 15	
			————— 144 97
			————— \$736 97

ALLEN H. BROWN,

Treasurer.

The Monumental Fund of \$1,000 is invested in the Beakey mortgage at Trenton. The Holmes Fund is invested in the Barnegat mortgage. The Wurts Legacy is now invested permanently in the Manse of the Brainerd Church at Elwood.

Examined and found correct.

(Signed) JOSEPH HUNTER,
 ADOLOS ALLEN,
 R. KENNEDY,

Finance Committee of Synod.

XX—REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

EBEN B. COBB, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

Dr.

To balance from previous account,	\$460 30	
To apportionment from eight Presbyteries,	570 00	
To advertising,	20 00	
To sale of cut of "Lakewood Church,"	3 00	
		————— \$1,053 30

Cr.

By Janitor's bill, Atlantic City,	\$10 00	
By salaries for year ending October, 1905,	160 00	
By expenses Committee on Laws for Church Trustees,	11 25	
By expenses of Auditing Committee,	5 26	
By expenses of officers of Synod,	10 95	
By expenses Committee Systematic Benevolence, ..	25 00	
By expenses Committee Sabbath Observance,	9 67	
By expenses Evangelistic Committee,	31 96	
By printing frontispiece to minutes,	2 75	
By printing minutes, 1904,	291 16	
By binding minutes,	4 90	
By bond Treasurer Synodical Home Missions,	25 00	
By balance on hand, October 1st, 1905,	465 40	
		————— \$1,053 30

Elizabeth, N. J., October 1st, 1905.

EBEN B. COBB,
Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.

(Signed) JOSEPH HUNTER,
ADOLOS ALLEN,
R. KENNEDY,*Finance Committee of Synod of N. J.*

XXI.—STATISTICAL REPORTS.

I. THE PRESBYTERY OF CORISCO consists of twelve ministers and fifteen churches, and has under its care two licentiates, three local evangelists and twelve candidates. One-third of the ministers are native Africans.

Minister received—

February 3d, 1905, Rev. Lon D. Heminger, from the Presbytery of Muncie.

Minister dismissed—

October 20th, 1904, Rev. Frederick G. Knauer, to the Presbytery of Nebraska City.

Church organized—

March, 1905, Lolodorf.

R. HAMIL NASSAU,
Stated Clerk.

II. THE PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH consists of forty-five ministers and thirty-three churches, and has under its care two local evangelists and one candidate for the ministry.

Received—

April 18th, 1905, Rev. Joseph B. Ferguson, from the Presbytery of Rochester.

Dismissed—

April 18th, 1905, Rev. Harle W. Hathaway, to the Presbytery of Newark.

April 18th, 1905, Rev. George S. Stark, to the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

June 19th, 1905, Rev. George H. Payson, D.D., to the Classis of Paramus, R. C. A.

October 3d, 1905, Rev. Lewis G. Leary, to the Presbytery of Hudson.

Ordained—

May 12th, 1905, Mr. James H. Northrup.

Installed—

October 21st, 1904, Rev. Charles F. Shaw, First Church, Rahway.

October 25th, 1904, Rev. Herbert K. England, Madison Avenue, Elizabeth.

April 25th, 1905, Rev. Joseph B. Ferguson, Greystone, Elizabeth.

May 12th, 1905, Rev. James H. Northrup, First Church, Perth Amboy.

Received Licentiate—

May 12th, 1905, James H. Northrup, from the Presbytery of Newton.

Received Candidate—

May 12th, 1905, Henry Arthur Pearce.

SAMUEL PARRY,
Stated Clerk.

III. THE PRESBYTERY OF HAVANA consists of seven ministers and six churches and has under its care two licentiates and four candidates.

Licensed—

November 17th, 1904, Hubert G. Smith, Gregorio Martinez.

Ministers Received—

November 17th, 1904, Rev. Antonio Mazzorana, from the Christian Alliance.

April 20th, 1905, Rev. Francisco Castro, from the Congregational Church.

Churches Organized—

February, 1905, Regla.

February, 1905, Candelaria.

Candidates Received—

November 17th, 1904, Juan M. Puig, Ricardo Viamonte.

April 20th, 1905, Antonio Senti, Luis Gomez.

PEDRO RIOSECO,
Stated Clerk.

IV. THE PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY consists of forty-seven ministers and thirty-seven churches, and has under its care two licentiates and two candidates.

Ministers Received—

December 5th, 1904, Rev. Darius D. Lindsley, from the Presbytery of Otsego.

April 18th, 1905, Rev. David Chambers Stewart, from the United Presbyterian Presbytery of New York.

Licentiate Received—

October 3d, 1905, Clarence E. McCartney, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Installed—

May 2d, 1905, Rev. David Chambers Stewart, as pastor of the Madison Avenue Church of Paterson.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved—

- March 1st, 1905, Rev. Charles A. Evans and the First Church of West Hoboken.
 October 1st, 1905, Rev. Arthur N. Thompson, D.D., and the Westminster Church of Jersey City.
 October 3d, 1905, Rev. Charles I. Junkin and the West Side Church of Englewood.

Ministers Deceased—

- December 26th, 1904, Rev. Philo French Leavens, D.D., at Passaic, N. J.
 January 3d, 1905, Rev. James Wyckoff, at Leonia, N. J.
 May 6th, 1905, Rev. Andrew Colville, at Bayonne, N. J.

Candidate Received—

- October 4th, 1904, J. J. Cole.

Church Buildings Dedicated—

- December 11th, 1904, First Church of Garfield, N. J.
 January 1st, 1905, Broadway German Church of Paterson, N. J.
 March 19th, 1905, Second Church of Paterson, N. J.

JAMES SCOTT YOUNG,
Stated Clerk.

V. THE PRESBYTERY OF MONMOUTH consists of fifty-five ministers and forty-eight churches, and has under its care two licentiates and five candidates.

Ministers Received—

- April 11th, 1905, Rev. Robert P. Howie, from the Presbytery of Hastings.
 July 14th, 1905, Rev. Charles B. Austin, D.D., from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.
 July 14th, 1905, Rev. John L. Rusbridge, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia, North.
 October 17th, 1905, Rev. James M. Eckard, from the Presbytery of Northumberland.

Ministers Dismissed—

- April 5th, 1905, Rev. Robert Robinson, to the Presbytery of Newton.
 June 27th, Rev. Josiah T. Stevenson, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Pastoral Relation Dissolved—

- June 27th, 1905, Rev. Josiah T. Stevenson and the church of Keyport.

Installations—

- February 3d, 1904, Rev. William Hollinshed, over the churches of Jacksonville and Providence.

February 9th, 1905, Rev. Jonathan W. Purcell, Ph.D., over the church of Manalapan.

July 14th, 1905, Rev. Charles B. Austin, D.D., over the church of Toms River.

September 7th, 1905, Rev. John L. Rusbridge, over the church of New Gretna.

Candidates Received—

April 12th, 1905, J. Wesley Hemphill.

June 27th, 1905, John Henry Haun.

Candidate Licensed—

April 12th, 1905, R. Spencer Young.

Deaths—

October 28th, 1904, Rev. Thaddeus Wilson, D.D.

March 26th, 1905, Rev. James J. Coale.

BENJAMIN S. EVERITT,
Stated Clerk.

VI. THE PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE consists of forty-four churches and sixty-two ministers, and has under its care seven candidates.

Ministers Received—

January 17th, 1905, Edward C. Ray, from the Presbytery of Chicago.

June 20th, 1905, Emory D. Webster, from the Presbytery of Genesee.

Installations—

June 15th, 1905, Louis W. Scheld, over the church at Pleasant Valley.

October 3d, 1905, James F. Horn, over the church at Whippany.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved—

November 30th, 1904, Israel A. White and the church at Whippany.

January 17th, 1905, Horace D. Sassaman and the church at Parsippany.

June 20th, 1905, Washington A. Hooper and the church at New Providence.

Ministers Dismissed—

January 17th, 1905, Israel A. White, to the Presbytery of Newark.

January 17th, 1905, Horace D. Sassaman, to the Presbytery of Newton.

June 20th, 1905, Clarence E. Streubel, to the Presbytery of Kingston.

Licentiates Received—

April 11th, 1905, Louis W. Scheld, from the Presbytery of Newark.

September 19th, 1905, James F. Horn, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Licentiates Ordained—

- February 6th, 1905, Clarence E. Streubel.
 February 12th, 1905, George Smyth, Jr.
 June 15th, 1905, Louis W. Scheld.
 October 3d, 1905, James F. Horn.

Candidates Received—

- April 11th, 1905, F. L. Janeway.
 April 11th, 1905, Carl H. Elmore.
 April 11th, 1905, Albert T. Tanblyn.

Church and Minister Transferred—

- October 17th, 1905, by action of the Synod of New Jersey, Vailsburg Church and Rev. Thomas B. Shannon, to the Presbytery of Newark.

Minister Died—

- October 5th, 1905, O. H. Perry Deyo.

STANLEY WHITE,
Stated Clerk.

VII. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK consists of sixty-four ministers and thirty-five churches, and has under its care twenty-three candidates.

Ministers Received—

- November 19th, 1904, Joseph Vitale, from the Genesee Conference, M. E. Church.
 February 1st, 1905, Israel A. White, from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.
 February 1st, 1905, Otto Lichti, from the Mennonite Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
 April 5th, 1905, Rowland S. Dawson, from the Presbytery of Brooklyn.
 April 5th, 1905, John McDowell, from the Presbytery of Detroit.
 May 10th, 1905, Joseph Hunter, from the Presbytery of Northumberland.
 May 10th, 1905, Albert B. Robinson, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.
 May 10th, 1905, Harle B. Hathaway, from the Presbytery of Elizabeth.
 June 7th, 1905, William Y. Chapman, D.D., from the Presbytery of Buffalo.
 October 4th, 1905, Alexander H. McKinney, Ph.D., from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.
 October 4th, 1905, Albert N. Stubblebine, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Ministers Dismissed.

- October 18th, 1904, Theodore Hahn, to the Lutheran Church in India.
 November 19th, 1904, C. Curtis McIntire, to the Presbytery of Detroit.
 February 1st, 1905, Francisco Pesaturo, to New Haven Association of Congregational Ministers.

- February 1st, 1905, A. Edwin Keigwin, to the Presbytery of New York.
 April 5, 1905, Charles Burrell Mitchell, to the Presbytery of New York.
 May 10th, 1905, George H. Peeke, to the Presbytery of Huron.
 June 7th, 1905, Jacob Meier, to North Classis of Long Island, Reformed Church.
 June 7th, 1905, J. Garland Hamner, Jr., to the Classis of Bergen, Reformed Church.
 October 4th, 1905, Edwin Fairley, to the Presbytery of Brooklyn.

Installations—

- April 19th, 1905, Rev. Rowland S. Dawson, as pastor of Knox Church, Kearney, N. J.
 May 11th, 1905, Rev. Joseph Hunter, as pastor of Fifth Avenue Church, Newark, N. J.
 May 18th, 1905, Rev. John McDowell, as pastor of Park Church, Newark, N. J.
 May 18th, 1905, Rev. Albert B. Robinson, as pastor of Roseland Church.
 June 14th, 1905, Rev. William Y. Chapman, as pastor of Roseville Avenue Church, Newark, N. J.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved—

- November 19th, 1904, between the Rev. Joseph T. Folsom and the Knox Church, Kearney, N. J.
 February 1st, 1905, between the Rev. A. Edwin Keigwin and the Park Church, Newark, N. J.
 October 4th, 1905, between the Rev. Thomas R. Bridges, D.D., and the Second Church, Newark, N. J.

Ordinations sine titulo—

- June 7th, 1905, Jacob Meier.
 June 15th, 1905, Thomas Morgan.
 October 5th, 1905, Joseph H. Schaeffer.

Candidates Licensed—

- April 5th, 1905, Jacob Meier and Louis Scheld.

Licentiate Received—

- May 10th, 1905, Thomas Morgan, from the Presbytery of Lackawanna.
 July 24th, 1905, Joseph H. Schaeffer, from the Presbytery of Baltimore.

Licentiate Dismissed—

- April 5th, 1905, Louis Scheld, to Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

Candidates Received on Examination—

April 5th, 1905, Joseph W. Fischer, Carlo Altarelli, Albert Stephen Hamborszky, Louis Hamborszky, John Henesy, Eugene Julius Hamborszky, Albert F. Hahn, Franz Tomic.

June 7th, 1905, Arthur E. Gaskill, J. Sigismund Pilinszky.

October 4th, 1905, Rudolph Pompl, Sigmund Laky, Andrew Csontos, Louis Biro, Giacinto Reali, Ernest Derendinger, Henry Dalhoff, Arnold Grob.

Church and Minister Received—

October 17th, 1905, by action of the Synod of New Jersey, the church of Vailsburg and Rev. Thomas B. Shannon, from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

Church Organization Dissolved—

July 24th, 1905, First Italian Church, Newark, N. J.

JULIUS H. WOLFF,
Stated Clerk.

VIII. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK consists of seventy-two ministers, and has under its care thirty-six churches, besides the Presbyterian Hungarian Church of New Brunswick and the Italian Evangelical Congregation of Trenton; six licentiates and twenty-two candidates.

Ministers Received from Other Presbyteries—

November 14th, 1904, Rev. Paul Martin, from the Presbytery of Hudson.

November 14th, 1904, Rev. George H. Bucher, from the Presbytery of Carlisle.

November 14th, 1904, Rev. John Calvin French, from the Presbytery of Columbia.

December 6th, 1904, Rev. Harry C. Prugh, from the Presbytery of Erie.

April 24th, 1905, Rev. George E. Stark, from the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

September 19th, 1905, Rev. William B. Frith, from the Presbytery of Brooklyn.

October 17th, 1905, Rev. Francis Palmer, from the Presbytery of San José.

October 17th, 1905, Rev. Egedius Kellmayer, from the Presbytery of West Jersey.

Minister Received from Another Denomination—

April 11th, 1905, Rev. Joseph Kosma, from the Hungarian Church.

Ordination, sine titulo.

April 30th, 1905, William Cory Meeker.

Ordination and Installation.

October 4th, 1905, ordination of Mr. Alexander Oren Macdonald; installed pastor of Kingston Church, October 4th, 1905.

Ministers Dismissed to Other Presbyteries—

November 14th, 1904, Rev. Albert Reid, to the Presbytery of French Broad.

January 31st, 1905, Rev. Titus E. Davis, to the Presbytery of Washington City.

February 27th, 1905, Rev. Leonard Z. Johnson, to the Presbytery of Baltimore.

May 15th, 1905, Rev. Albert E. Weston, to the Presbytery of Sequoyah.

June 27th, 1905, Rev. Albert Baldwin Dodd, to the Presbytery of Chinan, China.

Minister Dismissed to Another Denomination—

April 11th, 1905, Rev. D. Stuart Hoover, to the Classis of Paramus.

Names Dropped from the Roll from Union with Other Religious Bodies—

May 15th, 1905, Rev. Joseph Kosma, from union with Classis of New York, National Reformed Church of Hungary.

September 19th, 1905, Rev. J. Hendrik de Vries, from union with the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved—

November 10th, 1904, Rev. Albert Reid, pastor of Kingston Church, to take effect June 11th, 1905.

November 14th, 1905, Rev. Maitland V. Bartlett, with First Church, Princeton.

February 27th, 1905, Rev. Leonard Z. Johnson, with Witherspoon Street Church, Princeton, to take effect March 5th, 1905.

April 12th, 1905, Rev. Walter A. Brooks, with Prospect Street Church, Trenton, to take effect October 14th, 1905.

May 15th, 1905, Rev. Albert E. Weston, with Titusville Church, to take effect June 11th, 1905.

May 29th, 1905, Rev. J. Hendrik de Vries, with Princeton Second Church, to take effect June 11th, 1905.

June 27th, 1905, Rev. William I. Campbell, with Kirkpatrick Memorial Church, to take effect July 2d, 1905.

Installations—

November 18th, 1904, Rev. J. Calvin French, as pastor of Frenchtown Church.

November 23d, 1904, Rev. John Q. A. Fullerton, as pastor of Amwell United First Church.

December 6th, 1904, Rev. Harry C. Prugh, as pastor of Alexandria First Church.

December 22d, 1904, Rev. George H. Bucher, as pastor of Pennington Church.

May 4th, 1905, Rev. George L. Stark, as pastor of Witherspoon Street Church, Princeton.

October 5th, 1905, Rev. William B. Frith, as pastor of Amwell First Church.

October 23d, 1905, Rev. Francis Palmer, as pastor of Prospect Street Church, Trenton.

Candidate Received from Another Religious Body—

April 11th, 1905, Sidney Zandstra, from Reformed Church of Illinois.

Candidates Received on Examination—

November 14th, 1904, Walter S. Bennett.

January 31st, 1905, Franz Jager and David Ecsady.

September 19th, 1905, Arthur Northwood.

Candidate Dismissed to Another Presbytery—

September 4th, 1905, William Sinclair, to Presbytery of Westchester.

Licensures—

April 24th, 1905, Alex. Oren Macdonald, William Cory Meeker and William Alfred Mackay.

Ministers Deceased—

May 1st, 1905, Rev. Albert C. Titus, Trenton, N. J.

May 19th, 1905, Rev. Archibald A. Murphy, New Brunswick, N. J.

A. L. ARMSTRONG,

Stated Clerk.

IX. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON consists of forty-nine ministers, and has under its care thirty-five churches and one candidate.

Ministers Received from other Presbyteries—

January 24th, 1905, Rev. Horace D. Sassaman, from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

April 11th, 1905, Rev. Robert Robinson, B.D., from the Presbytery of Monmouth.

June 27th, 1905, Rev. John H. Aughey, from the Presbytery of Des Moines.

September 26th, 1905, Rev. Joshua J. Wolf, from the Presbytery of Binghampton.

Minister Received from another Denomination—

January 24th, 1905, Rev. William S. C. Webster, D.D., from the Classis of Westchester, of the Reformed Church in America.

Ordination as an Evangelist—

October 4th, 1905, Warren R. Ward.

Ministers Dismissed to other Presbyteries—

December 5th, 1904, Rev. Benjamin J. Morgan, Ph.D., to the Presbytery of Otsego.

June 27th, 1905, Rev. James W. Shearer, to the Presbytery of Lehigh.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved—

December 5th, 1904, Rev. Benjamin J. Morgan, Ph.D., with the church of Stanhope, to take effect at date.

January 24th, 1905, Rev. Nathanael P. Crouse, with the church of Danville, to take effect February 26th, 1905.

January 24th, 1905, Rev. Edward Snyder, with the Church of North Hardyston, to take effect March 26th, 1905.

May 25th, 1905, Rev. Edward A. McLaury, with the church of Marlboro', to take effect May 31st, 1905.

June 27th, 1905, Rev. John C. Chapman, with the church of Hacketts-town, to take effect at date.

Installations—

October 26th, 1904, Rev. James Provan, as pastor of the church of Musconetcong Valley.

March 28th, 1905, Rev. Nathanael P. Crouse, as pastor of the church of Stanhope.

April 6th, 1905, Rev. Edward Snyder, as pastor of the church of Harmony.

April 6th, 1905, Rev. William S. C. Webster, D.D., as pastor of the church of Andover.

April 29th, 1905, Rev. Robert Robinson, B.D., as pastor of the First Church of Oxford.

June 15th, 1905, Rev. Edward A. McLaury, as pastor of the churches of Delaware and Knowlton.

July 20th, 1905, Rev. Archibald B. Jamison, as pastor of the church of Lafayette.

October 10th, 1905, Rev. Elias B. England, as pastor of the church of Asbury.

Licensures—

April 12th, 1905, James H. Northrup.

June 27th, 1905, Warren R. Ward.

Licensure Recalled—

April 12th, 1905, Allan D. Baillie.

Licentiate Dismissed—

April 29th, 1905, James H. Northrup, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

Candidate Dismissed—

April 12th, 1905, Allan D. Baillie, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Minister Deceased—

January 24th, 1905, Rev. Ephraim Simanton, at his home, near Hackettstown, N. J., 83 years of age.

E. CLARKE CLINE,
Stated Clerk.

X. THE PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY consists of seventy-three ministers and sixty-one churches, and has under its care nine candidates.

Ministers Received—

January 17th, 1905, Rev. John Wesley McCallum, from the Western New York Congregational Association.

January 17th, 1905, Rev. John A. McDonald, from Presbytery of Huntingdon.

April 18th, 1905, Rev. Frank Werner, from Presbytery of North River.

May 4th, 1905, Rev. John T. Hackett, from Presbytery of Philadelphia.

May 23d, 1905, Rev. Louis C. Wainwright, from Presbytery of Butte.

May 23d, 1905, Herbert M. Gesner, from Presbytery of Albany.

June 20th, 1905, Rev. W. Francis Berger, from Omaha Congregational Association.

September 19th, 1905, Rev. Roland E. Crist, from Presbytery of Chester.

October 2d, 1905, Rev. Thomas C. Sterling, Ph.D., from Presbytery of Philadelphia.

October 17th, 1905, Rev. Homer W. Taylor, from the Presbytery of Oakes.

Candidates Received Under Care of Presbytery—

January 17th, 1905, Carmine Farmatoro.

June 20th, 1905, Harold S. Rambo, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia North.

Ministers Dismissed—

October 19th, 1904, Rev. John L. Rusbridge, to Presbytery of Philadelphia North.

January 17th, 1905, Rev. George N. Hertzog, to Presbytery of Chester.

January 17th, 1905, Rev. Homer C. Snitcher, to Presbytery of Lackawanna.

April 18th, 1905, Rev. Daniel I. Camp, to Presbytery of Carlisle.

August 28th, 1905, Rev. John Wesley MacCallum, to Presbytery of Philadelphia.

October 17th, 1905, Rev. Egedius Kellmayer, to the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

Ministers Deceased—

December 23d, 1904, Rev. James D. Hunter, D.D., in his fifty-sixth year.

Licensure—

June 20th, 1905, Harold S. Rambo.

Ordinations—

June 30th, 1905, Harold S. Rambo.

Installations—

November 13th, 1904, Rev. William L. Squier, as pastor of Atco Church.

February 9th, 1905, Rev. John Wesley MacCallum, as pastor of Collingswood Church.

May 4th, 1905, Rev. John T. Hackett, as pastor of First Church of Cedarville.

May 9th, 1905, Rev. Frank Werner, as pastor of Woodland Avenue Church, Camden.

May 23d, 1905, Rev. Herbert M. Gesner, as pastor of Atlantic City First Church.

June 8th, 1905, Rev. Louis C. Wainwright, as pastor of Greenwich Church.

June 30th, 1905, Rev. Harold S. Rambo, as pastor of Absecon and Green Creek Churches.

October 2d, 1905, Rev. Roland E. Crist, as pastor of Pleasantville Church.

October 12th, 1905, Rev. Thomas C. Sterling, Ph.D., as pastor of Deerfield Church.

Pastoral Relations Dissolved—

January 17th, 1905, Rev. George N. Hertzog, with the First Church of Cedarville.

April 18th, 1905, Rev. George L. Van Alen, with the Church of Blackwood.

April 18th, 1905, Rev. John Wesley MacCallum, with the Church of Collingswood.

April 18th, 1905, Rev. Daniel I. Camp, with the Deerfield Church.

September 19th, 1905, Rev. Frank Werner, with the Woodland Avenue Church, Camden.

October 17th, 1905, Rev. Egedius Kellmayer, with the Osborn Memorial Church, Cedarville.

Students' Permits—

April 18th, 1905, T. McD. White, to labor at Tuckahoe.

April 18th, 1905, Walter Bennett, at Holly Beach.

April 18th, 1905, N. Craig Jenkins, at Haddon Heights.

April 18th, 1905, John Winnemore, at Berlin.

ALFRED P. BOTSFORD,
Stated Clerk.

Standing Rules of the Synod.

- I.—The Synod shall meet annually, on the third Monday of October, at 8 o'clock P.M., unless otherwise ordered.
- II.—The officers of Synod shall be a Moderator, a Stated Clerk, a Permanent Clerk, a Recording Clerk, and a Treasurer.
- III.—The Moderator shall be elected annually, after calling the roll of the Presbyteries for nominations, when the Presbytery which has been the longest without having a representative in the Moderator's chair shall be called first. The Clerks and Treasurer shall be elected by ballot, unless otherwise ordered, and shall hold office during the pleasure of Synod.
- IV.—It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk to cause a notice of the time and place of meeting to be published in the religious papers most current in the Synod, at least three weeks prior to the time of meeting; to lay on the Moderator's table at the opening of Synod, a printed docket of business; to preserve the proceedings of Synod in printed form; to file and preserve all important papers coming into the possession of Synod; to furnish certified copies of minutes to those properly entitled to them; to conduct the correspondence of Synod; to transmit to the General Assembly the Statistical Report and the duly certified printed Records of Synod; to send a printed copy of the minutes of each annual meeting of Synod to every Minister, to the Session of each vacant church, and to each Ruling Elder who attended that meeting; and to cause the copies that have been submitted to the General Assembly to be bound in volumes at suitable intervals. The Stated Clerk shall print an Appendix to the Minutes, which shall contain all the papers and reports presented to Synod that are of permanent value. But in preparing such materials for publication he shall be authorized to abridge the same except where resolutions and recommendations have been adopted by Synod, and when otherwise ordered by Synod.
- V.—The Permanent Clerk shall prepare a roll of Synod before the opening. To enable him to do this, all members shall report themselves to him on arrival at the place of meeting. To him reasons for absence or late attendance shall be given and of him permission to leave shall be obtained. He shall be the Reading Clerk, call the roll, and otherwise assist the Stated Clerk as he may require; and he shall act as Stated Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.

- VI.—The Recording Clerk shall make the minutes of the proceedings of Synod from day to day, and deliver them to the Stated Clerk on the adjournment of Synod; and he shall act as Permanent Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.
- VII.—The compensation of the Stated Clerk shall be one hundred dollars per annum; that of the Permanent and Recording Clerks, thirty dollars respectively.
- VIII.—The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Synod for contingent expenses, and render an itemized account at each annual meeting.

COMMITTEES.

- IX.—The Committees of Synod shall be divided into three classes, viz.: Standing, Permanent and Special.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

THE STANDING COMMITTEES, to be appointed by the Moderator at each annual meeting, shall be as follows:

1. ON BILLS AND OVERTURES, seven members—four Ministers, of whom one shall be the retiring Moderator, and three Ruling Elders.
 2. ON JUDICIAL BUSINESS, seven members—four Ministers and three Ruling Elders.
 3. ON RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES, three members for each Presbytery—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
 4. ON MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
 5. ON NARRATIVE, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
 6. ON FINANCE, four members—two Ministers and two Ruling Elders, who shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Synod and of the Treasurers of the different funds, except the Synodical Home Mission Fund; and arrange the apportionment of the amount required from each Presbytery for contingent expenses.
 7. ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSION ACCOUNTS, a Special Finance Committee, two members—one Minister and one Ruling Elder, neither of whom shall be a member of the Permanent Committee of Synodical Home Missions, who shall examine and audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund, between the first day of October and the third Tuesday of October next ensuing their appointment, and who shall report to the Synod immediately after such examination, and whose necessary traveling expenses shall be defrayed by the Treasurer of Synod.
- X.—The Committee of Arrangements shall consist of all the Presbyterian Pastors and one Ruling Elder from each church in the place where the Synod meets, together with the Stated Clerk of Synod, the Pastor of the church in which Synod meets to be chairman. They shall provide accommodations for the Synod;

suggest hours of meeting and adjournment; arrange for public services, and the persons to conduct them, and provide for hearing representatives of the Boards.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

XI.—The Permanent Committees of the Synod shall be as follows:

1. ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS, eight members—one for each home Presbytery.

2. ON HOME MISSIONS, one from each home Presbytery.

3. ON FOREIGN MISSIONS, one member from the Presbytery of Corisco; the chairman of the Presbyterial Committee on Foreign Missions and one Ruling Elder, from each home Presbytery.

4. ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS, ten members—one for each Presbytery.

5. ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK, eight members; the chairman of the Committee on Sabbath-school Work in each home Presbytery.

6. ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE, eight members; the chairman of the Committee on Sabbath Observance in each home Presbytery.

7. ON TEMPERANCE, nine members—one from each home Presbytery, besides the chairman.

8. ON NECROLOGY, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.

9. ON PROPORTIONATE AND SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE, eight members—one from each home Presbytery.

10. ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES, a chairman appointed by Synod and the chairman of the Presbyterial Committee on Young People's Societies.

XII.—The Permanent Committees shall each report to Synod annually upon the matters assigned to them, and recommend suitable action to be taken by Synod in relation thereto.

XIII.—The Necrological Committee shall present, at the annual meeting, brief obituary notices of all Ministers of Synod who have deceased during the Synodical year.

XIV.—Each Presbytery belonging to the Synod shall send a written Narrative of the State of Religion within its bounds to the Synod's Committee on Narrative at least one week previous to the stated meeting of Synod.

XV.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered at each stated meeting of the Synod, under the superintendence of the retiring Moderator, or the Minister presiding in his place, at such time and place as the Committee of Arrangements shall designate.

XVI.—The Committee on Systematic Beneficence shall co-operate with the Stated Clerk and the Committee of Arrangements in selecting

topics and securing speakers to address the Synod upon the subjects of Benevolence and Church Work, and the evening session of the second day of the meeting of Synod shall be devoted exclusively to popular addresses by Secretaries of Boards or others.

XVII.—All notices of, or calls for, meetings of Presbyteries or Committees, and all resolutions, shall be in writing and read by the Clerk.

XVIII.—The rules for Judicatories adopted by the General Assembly shall be the rules of the Synod, so far as they apply.

XIX.—These rules may be amended or repealed by a two-thirds vote, but if notice of a proposed change has been given at a previous stated meeting, a majority may amend or repeal; and any one of these rules may be temporarily suspended by a majority vote.

The Synod authorizes the Treasurer of Synod hereafter to pay the necessary expenses of the several committees of Synod, said bills to be forwarded to the Treasurer of Synod on or before October 1st of each year.

Adopted October 17th, 1895.

While it seems inexpedient to lay down a fixed order of business to which the Synod shall be invariably conformed, yet, to facilitate the transaction of business, the following order shall commonly be followed, subject to such exchanges as may be made between chairmen of committees in consultation with the Committee of Arrangements:

1. The sessions of the Synod shall begin at 9 A.M., recess to be taken from 12:30 to 2:30 P.M., and from 5 to 7:30 P.M.; devotional exercises to occupy the last half hour of each morning session.

2. Permanent committees shall report in the following order: *Tuesday morning*, Foreign Missions, Synodical Home Missions, Narrative; *Tuesday afternoon*, Historical Materials, Home Missions, Sabbath-school Work, Young People's Societies; *Wednesday morning*, Systematic Beneficence, Sabbath Observance, Temperance; the report of the Committee on Necrology to be presented usually in connection with the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

3. The Committee of Arrangements, acting under Standing Rule X, are authorized to provide for the hearing of all our Boards each year, that may desire a hearing, the representatives of the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions to have thirty minutes each, and the representatives of the other Boards to have twenty minutes each.

Adopted October, 1902, Amended October, 1904.

Permanent Committees.

SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

REV. SAMUEL McLANAHAN, *Chairman*.
REV. JOHN T. KERR, REV. WILLIAM THOMSON,
REV. WILLIAM P. FINNEY, REV. WM. W. HALLOWAY, D.D.,
REV. ROBERT S. INGLIS, REV. FISHER HOWE BOOTH,
REV. RAYMOND HILLIARD GAGE, *Clerk*.

HOME MISSIONS.

REV. GEORGE L. SPINING, D.D., *Chairman*, 1906.
REV. JOHN E. STUCHELL, REV. C. RUDOLPH KUEBLER, D.D.,
REV. NELSON B. CHESTER, REV. HERMAN C. FOX, D.D.,
REV. EDGAR A. HAMILTON, REV. HUGH B. MACCAULEY,
REV. JOHN McMILLAN, B.D.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

REV. JOHN F. PATTERSON, D.D., *Chairman*.
REV. R. HAMILL NASSAU, D.D., ELDER EDWARD P. TENNEY,
REV. WILLIAM I. STEANS, D.D., ELDER J. W. RANDALL,
REV. SAM'L M. HAMILTON, D.D., ELDER JACOB WILSON,
REV. JOSEPH E. CURRY, ELDER JOSEPH F. RANDOLPH,
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REV. JAMES W. ROGAN, D.D., ELDER ROBERT W. KENNEDY,
REV. HENRY S. BUTLER, D.D., ELDER J. D. FLOCK,
REV. GEORGE W. TOMSON, ELDER P. KENNEDY REEVES.

HISTORICAL MATERIALS.

REV. ALLEN H. BROWN, D.D., *Chairman*.
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REV. CHARLES HERR, D.D., REV. FRANK R. SYMMES,
REV. STANLEY WHITE, REV. JOSEPH F. FOLSOM,
REV. HENRY C. CAMERON, D.D., REV. J. DEHART BRUEN.
REV. PEDRO RIOSECO,

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REV. HENRY C. CRONIN, *Chairman*,
REV. WILLIAM B. HAMILTON, REV. WENDELL P. KEELER,
REV. WILLIAM MOORE, REV. FREDERICK B. NEWMAN,
REV. JOSEPH HAMILTON, REV. WILLIAM F. S. NELSON.
REV. EDWARD A. McLAURY,

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

REV. SAMUEL D. PRICE, *Chairman*.
REV. WILLIAM T. STUCHELL, REV. JOSHUA B. GALLAWAY, D.D.,
REV. SAMUEL H. THOMPSON, D.D., REV. WENDELL P. KEELER,
REV. GEORGE A. PAULL, D.D., REV. JAMES B. CLARK.
REV. PERCY Y. SCHELLY,

TEMPERANCE.

REV. WILLIAM V. LOUDERBOUGH, *Chairman*,
 REV. CHARLES B. CONDIT, REV. THOMAS HOUSTON,
 REV. HUGH K. FULTON, REV. EDWIN R. MURGATROYD,
 REV. LLEWELLYN S. FULMER, REV. JOSEPH HOWELL,
 REV. JAMES DeHART BRUEN, REV. HERBERT R. RUNDALL.

NECROLOGY.

REV. WILLIAM W. KNOX, D.D., REV. EDWARD B. HODGE, D.D.,
 ELDER WILLIAM P. STEVENSON.

PROPORTIONATE AND SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

REV. WM. W. CASSELBERRY, *Chairman*,
 REV. SAMUEL D. PRICE, REV. HARRY NESBIT,
 REV. CHARLES E. GRANGER, REV. ROBERT H. NICHOLS,
 REV. JONATHAN GREENLEAF, REV. GEORGE H. INGRAM,
 REV. JOSEPH L. EWING.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

REV. HUGH B. MACCAULEY, D.D., *Chairman*.
 REV. WILLIAM B. HAMILTON, REV. HARVEY ISERMAN,
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EVANGELISTIC WORK (Special).

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 REV. WILLIAM J. MEWHINNEY,

Moderators Since the Reunion.

DATE.	PLACE OF MEETING.	MODERATOR.	PRESBYTERY.
June 21, 1870	Elizabeth,	*Rev. Jona. F. Stearns, D.D.,	Newark.
Oct. 18, 1870	Morristown, . .	*Rev. Charles K. Imbrie, D.D., . .	Jersey City.
Oct. 17, 1871	Bloomfield, . . .	*Rev. Robert Aikman, D.D.,	Morris and Orange.
Oct. 15, 1872	Trenton,	*Rev. Samuel Miller, D.D.,	Monmouth.
Oct. 21, 1873	Washington, . .	*Rev. J. H. McIlvaine, D.D.,	Newark.
Oct. 20, 1874	Camden,	*Rev. J. M. Macdonald, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
Oct. 19, 1875	Orange,	*Rev. William C. Roberts, D.D., . .	Elizabeth.
Oct. 17, 1876	Elizabeth,	*Rev. Thomas McCauley,	Newton.
Oct. 16, 1877	Newark,	*Rev. E. Kempshall, D.D.,	Elizabeth.
Oct. 15, 1878	Morristown, . .	*Rev. William Bannard, D.D., . .	West Jersey.
Oct. 21, 1879	Trenton,	*Rev. Abraham Gosman, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
Oct. 19, 1880	Bridgeton, . . .	*Rev. Charles E. Knox, D.D.,	Newark.
Oct. 18, 1881	Asbury Park, . .	*Rev. Joseph G. Symmes, D.D.,	Monmouth.
Oct. 17, 1882	Hackettstown, .	*Rev. Alfred Yeomans, D.D.,	Morris and Orange.
Oct. 16, 1883	Orange,	Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley, D.D.,	Jersey City.
Oct. 21, 1884	Elizabeth,	*Rev. Samuel M. Hamill, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
Oct. 20, 1885	Atlantic City, .	Rev. Allen H. Brown,	West Jersey.
Oct. 18, 1886	Camden,	Rev. William Thomson,	Newton.
Oct. 17, 1887	Asbury Park, . .	*Rev. Frank Chandler, D.D.,	Monmouth.
Oct. 15, 1888	Asbury Park, . .	Rev. K. P. Ketcham, D.D.,	Elizabeth.
Oct. 21, 1889	Asbury Park, . .	*Rev. Henry M. Storrs, D.D.,	Morris and Orange.
Oct. 20, 1890	Atlantic City, .	Rev. David R. Frazer, D.D.,	Newark.
Oct. 20, 1891	Long Branch, . .	Rev. Charles D. Shaw, D.D.,	Jersey City.
Oct. 18, 1892	Belvidere,	Rev. R. Hamill Nassau, D.D.,	Corisco.
Oct. 17, 1893	Bridgeton,	Rev. S. M. Studdiford, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
Oct. 16, 1894	Trenton,	Rev. Frederic R. Brace, D.D.,	West Jersey.
Oct. 15, 1895	N. Brunswick, .	Rev. Henry S. Butler, D.D.,	Newton.
Oct. 27, 1896	Atlantic City, .	Rev. Benjamin S. Everitt, D.D.,	Monmouth.
Oct. 19, 1897	Plainfield,	*Rev. John A. Liggett, D.D.,	Elizabeth.
Oct. 18, 1898	Asbury Park, . .	Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D.,	Morris and Orange.
Oct. 17, 1899	Asbury Park, . .	*Rev. A. Nelson Hollifield, D.D.,	Newark.
Oct. 16, 1900	Atlantic City, .	Rev. Melvin Fraser,	Corisco.
Oct. 15, 1901	Atlantic City, .	Rev. Charles Herr, D.D.,	Jersey City.
Oct. 21, 1902	Asbury Park, . .	Rev. Walter A. Brooks, D.D.,	New Brunswick.
Oct. 20, 1903	Lakewood,	Rev. William V. Louderbough,	West Jersey.
Oct. 18, 1904	Atlantic City, . .	Rev. James De Hart Bruen,	Newton.
Oct. 16, 1905	Cape May,	Rev. George Swain, D.D.,	Monmouth.

*Deceased.

Ministers of the Synod of New Jersey.

- Abbott, Justin E., Bombay, India. J. C.
 Adams, James Bailie, Elwood. W. J.
 Aikman, Wm., D.D., Atlantic City. W. J.
 Allen, Adolos, Cranbury. Mon.
 Allen, Lyman W., D.D., Newark. N'rk.
 Allen, William, Jr., Haddonfield. W. J.
 Anderson, Daniel B., Camden. W. J.
 Armstrong, Amzi L., Dutch Neck. N. B.
 Armstrong, William P., Princeton. N. B.
 Aughey, John H., Newton. Newt.
 Austin, Chas. B., D.D., Toms River. Mon.
- Baillie, John K., D.D., Hamburg. Newt.
 Baldwin, Caleb C., D.D., East Orange.
 Newark.
 Baldwin, Theodore A., Broussa, Turkey.
 Newark.
 Bale, Albert G., Asbury Park. Mon.
 Barbour, Robert, Montclair. N'rk.
 Bartlett, Maitland V., London, Eng. N. B.
 Bauer, Christopher, Long Hill. M. & O.
 Beach, Sylvester W., Paris, France. W. J.
 Beadle, Heber H., Bridgeton. W. J.
 Beatty, Henry T., Ph.D., Hoboken. J. C.
 Beaumont, James B., Morristown. M. & O.
 Becker, Nicholas S., Passaic. J. C.
 Bennett, Wm. Russell, Morristown. M. & O.
 Berger, W. Francis, Laurel Springs. W. J.
 Blauvelt, I. Alstyne, D.D., Roselle. Eliz.
 Boardman, Samuel W., D.D., LL.D.,
 Bloomfield. N'rk.
 Booth, Fisher Howe, Tenafly. J. C.
 Bossert, Frank G., New Egypt. Mon.
 Botsford, Alfred P., D.D., Woodbury.
 W. J.
 Bowers, Nicholas, Basking Ridge. M. & O.
 Brace, Frederic R., Ph.D., D.D., Black-
 wood. W. J.
 Bradley, Joseph H., D.D., National Soldiers'
 Home, Va. Mon.
 Bridges, John J., Newark. N'rk.
 Bridges, Thomas R., D.D., Newark. N'rk.
 Bridgman, Chester, Merchantville. W. J.
 Brooks, Walter A., D.D., Trenton. N. B.
 Brown, Allen H., D.D., Atlantic City.
 W. J.
 Brown, John H., Budds Lake. M. & O.
 Brown, Josiah J., Newark. N'rk.
 Bruen, Henry Munro, Taiku, Korea.
 Newt.
 Bruen, James DeHart, Belvidere. Newt.
 Bryant, Robert A., Brookline, Mass. Newt.
 Bucher, George H., Pennington. N. B.
 Bulkley, Edwin A., D.D., New York. J. C.
 Bullard, Chas. B., East Orange. M. & O.
 Burr, Robert J., Marksboro. Newt.
 Butler, Courtlandt P., Lakewood. Mon.
 Butler, Henry S., D.D., Blairstown. Newt.
 Buttinghausen, Remi J., Bloomfield. N'rk.
- Cadwell, Newton W., D.D., Atlantic City.
 W. J.
 Cameron, Henry C., Ph.D., D.D., Princeton.
 N. B.
 Campbell, Wm. I., Ringoes. N. B.
 Candee, Charles L., Riverton. Mon.
 Carlile, Samuel, D.D., Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Newt.
- Casanowicz, Immanuel M., Ph.D., Wash-
 ington, D. C. N'rk.
 Casselberry, Harvey T., Ocean City. W. J.
 Casselberry, Wm. W., Dunellen. Eliz.
 Castro, Francisco, Candelaria, Cuba. Hav.
 Chambers, I. Mench, Merchantville. W. J.
 Chambers, Theodore F., Dover. M. & O.
 Chapman, John C., Hackettstown. Newt.
 Chapman, Wm. Y., D.D., Newark. N'rk.
 Chester, Nelson B., Caldwell. N'rk.
 Clark, James B., Dayton. N. B.
 Clarke, John P., Hackensack. Newt.
 Cline, E. Clarke, Phillipsburg. Newt.
 Clyde, John C., D.D., Easton, Pa. Newt.
 Cobb, Eben B., D.D., Elizabeth. Eliz.
 Cockins, James M., Baltimore, Md. W. J.
 Collazo, Evaristo P., Bejucal, Cuba. Hav.
 Coltorti, Bismarck, Newark. N'rk.
 Condit, Charles B., Liberty Corner. Eliz.
 Condit, Isaac H., Newton. Newt.
 Conrow, Lester M., Lamington. Eliz.
 Coyle, Leonidas E., Bridgeton. W. J.
 Craig, David Anderson, Woodridge. J. C.
 Crist, Isaiah B., Mays Landing. W. J.
 Crist, Roland E., Pleasantville. W. J.
 Cronin, Henry C., Jersey City. J. C.
 Crouse, Nathaniel P., Stanhope. Newt.
 Crowell, John, D.D., East Orange. M. & O.
 Culp, Cordie J., Bound Brook. N. B.
 Cunningham, James S., Libleville, W. Afr.
 Cor.
- Curry, Joseph E., Cranbury. Mon.
 Curtis, Geo. L., Bloomfield. N'rk.
- Dager, William M., Batanga. W. Afr.
 Dashiell, Alfred H., D.D., Lakewood.
 Mon.
 Davies, John M., D.D., Gloucester City.
 W. J.
 Davis, John D., D.D., LL.D., Princeton.
 N. B.
 Dawson, Rowland S., Kearney. N'rk.
 Dennis, James S., D.D., 156 Fifth Ave.,
 New York. N'rk.
 DeWitt, John, D.D., LL.D., Princeton.
 N. B.
- Dick, Robert J., Elizabeth. Mon.
 Dickson, Spencer C., Pt. Pleasant. Mon.
 Dikovics, John, Bloomfield. N'rk.
 Dillon, Edward, Woodbury. W. J.
 Dixon, John, D.D., Trenton. N. B.
 Dod, Samuel B., South Orange. M. & O.
 Dodd, William S., M.D., Casarea, Turkey.
 M. & O.
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